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Digital media.
Rockstar Games ditches Vancouver for Ontario

NDP critics fear an exodus of jobs may be coming after one of the video-game industry's heavy hitters announced its Vancouver studio will be moving to tax-friendly Ontario.

Rockstar Games said Monday that its 35-employee development team in Vancouver, responsible for the recently released hit Max Payne 3, will relocate to Oakville, Ont., and merge with current employees at Rockstar Toronto.

The studio confirmed in a statement the expansion "is being supported by the Ontario government."

Under the Ontario Interactive Media Tax Credit, video-game developers are eligible to receive up to a 40 per cent tax credit, compared to the 17.5 per cent offered by B.C.'s Digital Animation or Visual Effects credits. Ontario also has a Media Development Corporation that attracts digital-media companies to the province and offers them support.

The loss of Rockstar Games could be the tip of the iceberg, according to NDP critic Spencer Chandra Herbert.

"The digital world here is a cluster, but we're continuing to lose pieces of that cluster," said Chandra Herbert. "It has already happened in the film world. I think the digital industry has developed so organically in Vancouver, the government has taken it for granted."

Community, Sport and Cultural Development Minister Ida Chong admitted losing Rockstar is "significant and unfortunate" but questioned the long-term sustainability of Ontario's aggressive pursuit of digital-media jobs.

"What happens when the tax credits run out? I don't know how Ontario can continue to do this when you look at their deficits," Chong said.

Chong said B.C.'s credits, along with its location and talent pool — over 600 digital-media companies — are competitive and will prevent a mass-scale exodus.

But she said there is a need to modernize incentives and be more aggressive in luring new companies to the province.

"We will take a look and see if there are ways we can tweak," said Chong.

A strategic review into supporting the local movie and television industry is already underway, and the province is hosting a "reverse trade mission" in September to showcase local talent to Asian digital-media companies.

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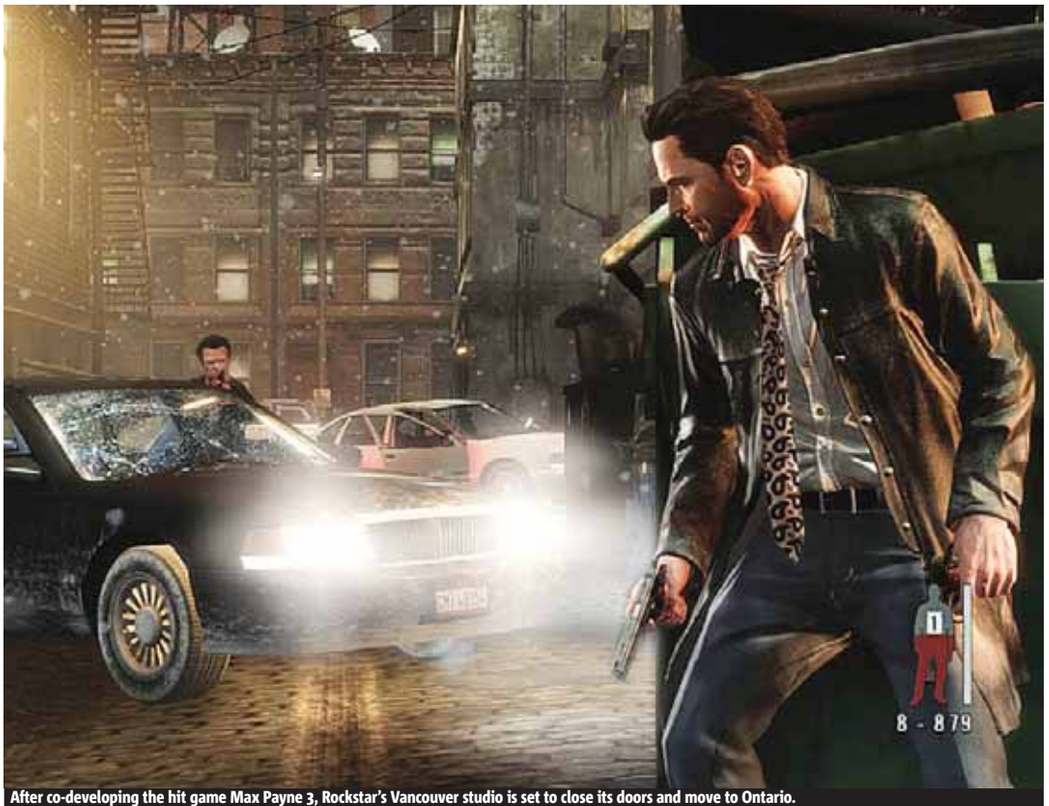

After co-developing the hit game Max Payne 3, Rockstar's Vancouver studio is set to close its doors and move to Ontario.

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Drownings

Grandmother dies after attempting to save grandson

A Surrey woman who was clinging to life after trying to rescue her 20-month-old grandson from drowning has died in hospital.

RCMP Sgt. Drew Grainger says the 51-year-old grandmother had been on life support but died Monday night, a day after the tragic incident in a private swimming pool.

The boy died at the scene despite CPR efforts by residents at the apartment complex. Paramedics were also unable to revive him.

The BC Coroners Service, which is investigating the drownings, says the dead are Ivan Yousif and his grandmother Warina Nissan.

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Security issue

Tech gaps place government at risk: Auditor

B.C.'s auditor general is warning that a series of digital gaps in the province's extensive network of computer systems is putting the government at risk.

Auditor John Doyle released a report Tuesday that found 30 per cent of issues identified by government managers relate to information technology.

It found that sensitive information wasn't always adequately protected, strong passwords weren't always used and there were other holes that could open up agencies to fraud.

Other problems included failure to regularly back up data and the likelihood some organizations might not be able to identify and resolve threats on a timely basis. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Traffic lines up at West Georgia Street and Denman Street on Tuesday. PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS/METRO

Vancouver, Canada's most congested city?

Index. TomTom ranks Vancouver's traffic congestion as second-worst in North America, behind L.A.

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Bike-friendly Vancouver is the most congested city in Canada, according to a GPS company.

The TomTom Congestion Index ranks Vancouver — a city working towards becoming the greenest city on earth by 2020 — as the second-most congested city in North America, behind only Los Angeles.

The report, which initially compared 26 major cities in Canada and the U.S., finds that 34 minutes is the average delay per hour during peak periods and the average driver with a 30-minute commute is delayed 83 hours per year.

Friday mornings and Monday evenings are the best peak times to travel, while Wednesday mornings and Tuesday evenings are the headache-inducing travel times.

Richmond resident Airika Owen said she encounters traffic congestion in Vancouver "all the time" especially around 70th and Granville or around the Marpole area.

"With a baby in the car, it's a nightmare being stuck in traffic," she said, adding that she thinks replacing the Lions Gate Bridge could help ease traffic.

"It just shouldn't be fixed all the time. It's just too small for the amount of traffic."

Larry Frank, a UBC professor of urban planning, population and public health, said Vancouver is the not the place to go if you're looking to drive. He said the goal of the region's transportation plan is to give people access and mobility using a wide range of options, not just cars.

"The point is to get to places not just by cars, especially not at the expense of creating a more sustainable, walkable, transit-supportive environment where people can actually get physical activity through their travel and not generate (or generate less) air pollution and gashouse emissions," Frank said.

"I lived in Atlanta and it was far more drivable, but you can't walk anywhere," he added.

"How many times have you seen Atlanta on the best-rated cities in the world index? Have you ever not seen Vancouver? We're always in the top three ... and those are the tradeoffs. It comes at the expense of having a more drivable urban form and region."

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Cookie Monster's got a sweet tune

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Mobile news

Police had a dirty job ahead of them after a U.S. woman allegedly stole and swallowed a $4,000 diamond ring. Scan the code to find out how cops assigned to the stinky stakeout got the pricey jewelry back.

Liberals still have time to close gap before election: SFU prof

Opinion poll. Latest numbers show 45% of British Columbians intend to vote NDP

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Angus Reid poll results

- **Voter intention:**
  BC NDP: 45%
  BC Liberals: 23%
  BC Conservatives: 22%
  Green: 8%
- **Approval ratings:**
  Adrian Dix: 48%
  Christy Clark: 28%
  John Cummins: 28%
  Jane Sterk: 2%
- **Leader best suited to deal with the economy:**
  Dix: 25%
  Clark: 20%
  Cummins: 16%
  Sterk: 3%
  Not sure: 26%
  None: 11%

It's not too late for the Liberals to catch up to the NDP despite another disappointing poll for the provincial government, according to an SFU professor.

The latest Angus Reid public-opinion poll, released Tuesday, finds 45 per cent of British Columbians intend to vote for the NDP in the election on May 14, 2013. The incumbent Liberals are lagging behind at 23 per cent, just one point ahead of the B.C. Conservatives.

While those numbers are consistent with other recent polls, it's significant in that NDP Leader Adrian Dix polled for the first time as the better person to handle the provincial economy.

But with just 10 months to go before the provincial election, SFU political scientist Doug McArthur says the Liberal can still turn their slumping popularity around.

"The economy is not doing as well as the government has thought, and that's very bad news for the Liberals," said McArthur.

"If they are going to make a comeback, it has to be on their fiscal platform. The poll shows that Adrian Dix has managed to convince people that he will be fiscally responsible."

McArthur said polls generally tighten up closer to elections as voters start to seriously consider who to vote for.

But to really stem the tide, McArthur says, Premier Christy Clark needs to lay off photo opportunities and negative advertisements, and focus instead on a concrete fiscal platform.

"She really needs to settle on a good policy agenda," McArthur said. "The negative campaigning isn't doing it for them. People expect the government to be serious about the economy."

Liberal Premier Christy Clark and B.C. NDP Leader Adrian Dix are set to square off during the 2013 provincial election. METRO FILE

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U.S. spill report fuels opposition to Enbridge pipeline in B.C.

In this July 29, 2010, file photo, a worker monitors water in Michigan's Talmadge Creek, near the Kalamazoo River. Booms were used to try and trap oil from a ruptured pipeline owned by Enbridge Inc. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Opponents of Enbridge's controversial Northern Gateway pipeline are pointing to a scathing report into a spill in the United States to bolster their argument that the company's proposal to transport oil over remote areas of British Columbia is too risky.

The U.S. National Transportation Safety Board issued a report Tuesday into a July 2010 spill that saw more than three million litres of crude oil spill into Michigan's Kalamazoo River and nearby wetlands. The board concluded Enbridge failed to fix a defect discovered five years earlier and then responded poorly when the spill occurred.

The Calgary-based energy company is currently seeking approval for a 1,170-kilometre pipeline between Alberta and the B.C. coast — a proposal that has drawn the ire of First Nations groups, environmentalists and the province's Opposition New Democrats.

NDP Leader Adrian Dix was quick to hold up the U.S. report as proof Enbridge's Northern Gateway project should be rejected.

Dix called on Liberal Premier Christy Clark, whose government has so far refused to take a position on the pipeline, to finally join him in condemning the project.

"The long-term effects for the people of Michigan of what happened in the Kalamazoo River will be felt for a long time and have been serious in terms of health, in terms of the environment, in terms of the economy," Dix told reporters in Vancouver.

"Here in British Columbia, those risks to our economy, to our environment, have to be part of the process, and they haven't been."

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Vernon

Officials doubt marmots had role in plane crash

Transportation Safety Board investigators have begun examining the charred remains of a twin-engine plane that crashed in Vernon killing the pilot and his passenger. A safety-board spokesman was skeptical of reports that marmots may have chewed vital aircraft controls, saying it's unlikely the little rodents would be interested in wiring, and it's not an issue investigators have encountered before.

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Okanagan

Alcohol played role in drowning, RCMP says

Oliver Mounties believe alcohol played a part in a drowning in the southern Okanagan on Sunday.

A 32-year-old woman fell out of a paddle boat on Gallagher Lake, just north of Oliver, and while rescuers pulled her out of the water and performed CPR, she was pronounced dead in hospital. Sgt. Ken Harrington says alcohol and prescription drugs likely contributed to the tragedy.

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South Vancouver

Man killed in gravel accident

A man has been killed in an industrial accident in South Vancouver.

Emergency crews were called just after 8 a.m. Tuesday to a work site near the north arm of the Fraser River, in the 200 block of East Kent Avenue.

They say the victim had somehow been buried in a pile of gravel. The man's name has not been released and the coroner and WorkSafeBC are now investigating.

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Philippine-born banker shares personal credit lessons with newcomers

Scotiabank's Lorina Serafico gladly shares first-hand advice with newcomers at her branch and around the community.

Since it's easier to help others when you've walked in their shoes, Philippine-born Lorina Serafico has a knack for educating newcomers about banking and settling in Canada.

While today she works in Vancouver as a Financial Solutions Specialist at the Scotiabank branch at 49th Avenue and Fraser Street, her early days in Canada were not always easy. Arriving in British Columbia in 1990, she coped with having little money while working as a nanny. After a disabling back injury, she completed bank courses and earned a position at Scotiabank, with the help of the Career Edge internship program.

Since overcoming her own settlement hurdles, Lorina now shares first-hand financial advice with immigrants, as a volunteer at the Vancouver Committee for Domestic Workers and Caregivers Rights, and with her newcomer clients at Scotiabank.

"I got my first credit card in the mail, but there was no education on how to use it," recalls Lorina. "I now tell newcomers credit is important for their future here. However, you need to ensure you can afford to pay it back, and pay on time, or it will cost you later," notes Lorina. Lorina offers the ***Scotiabank StartRight***® Program[1] for Newcomers, which includes a free day-to-day bank account for one year[2], a wide range of credit card options[3] and a number of other customized services and benefits.

"I explain that small steps can get them to their goal eventually," observes Lorina, who herself began saving $25 a month, and banked her tax refund each year, until she accumulated the down payment for a condominium. "There are also programs like the federal government Home Buyers' Plan, that lets you borrow from your registered retirement saving plan to buy a home."

While the thought of a 30-year mortgage may be intimidating, Lorina explains the benefits of paying a mortgage rather than renting: "Your home can be the foundation of your financial future, and there are ways to pay it off more quickly. For example, as your personal finances improve, you can make an annual lump sum prepayment allowed by your bank, increase your monthly payments, or switch from monthly to bi-weekly payments, to greatly reduce the cost and duration of your mortgage. It's up to you," concludes Lorina, who tells newcomers to set goals and be disciplined with money. "Credit can be good, if you learn to use it to your advantage, to get a home, an education, and add value to your new life in Canada."

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Maple Ridge. Homicide team called after man's body discovered in home

A domestic incident may be linked to the death of a 59-year-old Maple Ridge man.

Integrated Homicide Investigation Team Sgt. Jennifer Pound says Mounties were called to the suburban Vancouver home just after 2 a.m. Monday.

She says paramedics performed CPR on the unnamed victim but could not revive him.

Police believe the man was involved in a domestic dispute just before he died and Pound says investigators want to know if that played a part in the suspected homicide.

An autopsy has been scheduled and officers remain at the home, about 40 kilometres east of Vancouver.

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Investigation

The victim's name has not been released and Pound says no arrests have been made.

Siberian wildfires. Smoke from forest fires raises ozone levels to new high

Drifting smoke from massive wildfires in Russia has pushed the ozone rating to never-before-seen levels in parts of British Columbia's Interior.

But meteorologist Eric Taylor, from the B.C. Ministry of Environment, says the thick haze is expected to dissipate over the next 24 hours.

Experts say the yellow haze, which has blocked mountain views and creates spectacular sunsets, is mostly from fires burning in Siberia.

Taylor says he's never seen ozone levels as high in B.C.'s central Interior as he's seen in the last few days.

He says the Environment Ministry's objective is to keep ozone levels below 82 parts per billion and the level in the Williams Lake areas has reached 84 parts per billion.

Ken Reid, with regional district of Metro Vancouver, says the smoke is drifting across the Pacific at several thousand feet before being forced to lower altitudes as it approaches B.C.

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$850K in fines

11 fined for selling stolen vehicles

Eleven people and a company are facing fines totalling $850,000 for selling stolen vehicles to unsuspecting buyers in B.C.

The case involves a dozen vehicles that had been reported stolen to the Insurance Corporation of B.C. in 2002 and 2003.

B.C. Supreme Court Justice Austin Cullen says the cars and trucks were given false vehicle identification numbers and fake ownership histories before they were resold.

The biggest single fine Cullen imposed went against Harpreet Awla, who must pay more than $242,000 including $60,000 in punitive damages.

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Kelowna

Mountie testifies in assault trial

A Kelowna RCMP officer has come to the defence of fellow Mountie Geoff Mantler, who's accused of assaulting a man during an arrest in August of 2010.

Const. Rick Goodwin has told Mantler's assault trial in Kelowna that he was the officer who grabbed Manjit Singh Bhatti and forcefully pushed him against a police cruiser on the night of the arrest. He says Bhatti could have bumped his head against the side of the car causing a swollen eye, and he never saw Mantler strike Bhatti, something the victim claims resulted in the eye injury and a bloody nose. Mantler faces a second assault trial this fall after a Mountie was caught on video kicking a man in the face while the victim was on his hands and knees during another arrest in Kelowna in 2011.

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From left, journalists Chris Coburn, Kate Webb, Emmanuel Krebs and Cendrix Bouchard came in 14th out of 19 teams in the second annual UBC Grand Prix Corporate Challenge Tuesday. IAN ROBERTSON/UBC GRAND PRIX

Hearts, pedals pumping ahead of UBC Grand Prix

14th fastest. No broken speed records, but plenty of team spirit

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The day started with my heart pumping almost as fast as it was when I rounded the final curve in the second ever — and my first ever — UBC Grand Prix Corporate Challenge.

"Why did I sign up for this? What have I gotten myself into?" I thought, running through a litany of disastrous, embarrassing and painful scenarios that could very easily manifest, given my utter unfamiliarity with bike racing.

It had sounded like so much fun when I was invited to participate a few weeks earlier.

"You're going to have so much fun!" enthused my editor mid-morning as I buried my head in my hands, worried about slowing down my three other media teammates: fellow journalists Cendrix Bouchard, Emmanuel Krebs and Chris Coburn.

In the end, the event was relaxed and indeed fun. Though we didn't break any speed records, we made up for it in high fives and team spirit. The corporate challenge ran ahead of the women's and men's pro races as part of BC Superweek, a series of cycling events all over the Lower Mainland.

A gated-off one-kilometre loop on the southern end of UBC's campus provided plenty of excitement, with six hairpin turns that kept us all looking over our shoulders. Race organizer Steve Bell-Irving manned a radio to make sure the next member of each relay team was off as soon as the last member crossed the finish line, while enthusiastic volunteers rang cowbells to cheer us on.

Nineteen corporate teams of four paid $1,000 to participate in the fast-paced, four-kilometre race, with all the proceeds going to benefit the B.C. Sports Medicine Foundation.

The best part? Winners were judged not just on speed but on their predicted times, meaning you didn't have to be the fastest to win a trophy — just the most prescient.

Fastest overall was Glotman Simpson Consulting Engineers, followed by Humphrey Group and Hootsuite, all of whom took home trophies. Clearly Contacts was most accurate, missing their team's predicted time by just 11 seconds.

The media teams were, by comparison, slow and not all that predictable: This reporter's team was 14th fastest, while the other team licked us, coming in sixth.

But by the time cold beers and snacks were served in the VIP tent, nobody cared.

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Superweek

B.C. Superweek continues Wednesday with the Gastown Grand Prix, the Giro di Burnaby on Thursday and the Tour de White Rock on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Joe Sakic hoists the Stanley Cup in June 2001. BRIAN BAHR/GETTY IMAGES/NHLI

Stanley Cup takes time out from summer tour to star in 3D film

It may not have its own trailer or personal assistant, but one of the best-known trophies in sport is hard at work as the star of a 3D film being shot in Penticton.

The Stanley Cup, the coveted symbol of National Hockey League domination, is the focus of the high-tech film being created for the Hockey Hall of Fame.

The short feature, entitled Stanley Cup Odyssey, is being shot at Memorial Arena in Penticton, about 400 kilometres east of Vancouver.

The Hockey Hall of Fame and Network Entertainment Inc. announced early last month that they had partnered to produce the film, with plans for a premiere as part of the 2012 Hall of Fame induction weekend in Toronto Nov. 9-12.

Okanagan film commissioner Jon Summerland says the film is an historical feature using original live-action filming, computer generated animation, and classic archival footage to recount the Stanley Cup's storied history, with room for new playoff highlights to be added in future years.

Filming in Penticton is expected to wrap this Friday and, once the final cut is aired in November before Hall of Fame inductees Pavel Bure, Matts Sundin, Joe Sakic and Adam Oates, it will be released as a collector's DVD in both 2D and 3D formats. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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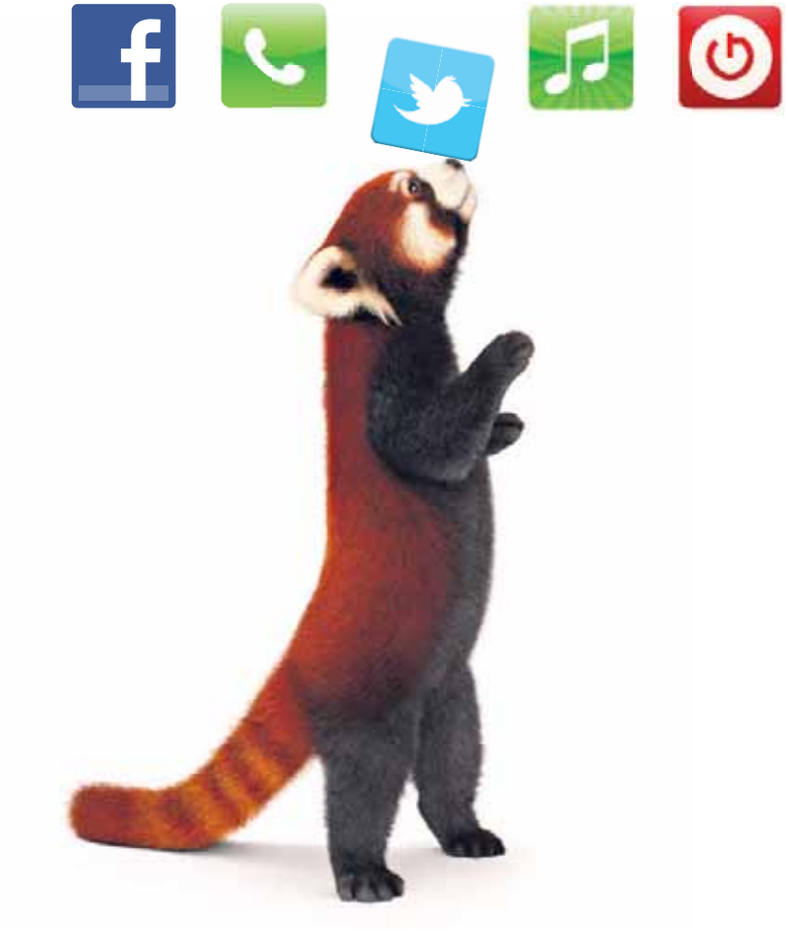

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Congo warlord jailed: Is his partner next?

Lubanga gets 14 years. Missing partner Bosco Ntaganda also indicted for sending child soldiers to kill and be killed

The International Criminal Court on Tuesday sentenced a Congolese warlord to 14 years in jail for using child soldiers.

But Thomas Lubanga's partner in crime has yet to be brought to justice.

Lubanga was found guilty in March of recruiting, kidnapping and abusing children — sending them to kill and be killed during tribal fighting in Congo's northeast Ituri region in 2002-2003.

Lubanga's was the first guilty judgment passed down in the court's decade-old existence.

But the mustachioed Lubanga, who cried when he was put on a plane from Congo to The Hague in 2006, is a small player among Congo's many belligerents.

Lubanga's case has brought increasing pressure for the arrest of his much more infamous partner, renegade Congolese army Gen. Bosco Ntaganda. The ICC indicted both men for war crimes involving child soldiers.

But a 2009 peace deal saw Ntaganda wearing the stripes of a general as he integrated his fighters into the Congolese army.

Sensing the end of the road this year, the veteran warlord took off and now is accused of orchestrating a new rebellion in April.

Judge Adrian Fulford said the time Lubanga has been detained will be deducted from the sentence, meaning the 51-year-old will be free before he turns 60.

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Grim Reaper cuts to the chase: Science policies in peril

A protester wearing a Grim Reaper costume is the focus of a crowd's attention on Parliament Hill in Ottawa on Tuesday during a rally to protest the federal government's cuts to science policies. Protesters cite cuts to research programs in Environment Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, the National Research Council of Canada, Statistics Canada and elsewhere. Dr. Scott Findlay, associate professor and former director of the University of Ottawa's Institute of Environment, says there is a "systematic campaign to reduce the flow of scientific evidence to Canadians."

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A nation hurt. Indians protest a 'God-particle snub' of revered scientist

The God-particle jubilation was a little lost on India.

While much of the world was celebrating the international co-operation that led to last week's breakthrough in identifying the existence of the Higgs boson particle, many in India were smarting over what they saw as a slight against one of their greatest scientists.

Media covering the story gave lots of credit to British physicist Peter Higgs for theorizing the elusive subatomic boson, but little was said about Satyendranath Bose, the Indian after whom the boson is named.

Despite the fact that Bose had little direct involvement in theorizing the Higgs boson itself, in India the lack of attention given to one of their own was seen as an insult too big to ignore.

"He is a forgotten hero," the government lamented in a lengthy statement.

It noted that Bose was never awarded a Nobel Prize though "at least 10 scientists have been awarded the Nobel" in the same field.

The annoyance marks yet another case in the ever-growing list of perceived global snubs Indians feel they suffer, from the U.S. airport searches of Bollywood star Shah Rukh Khan to the naming of a superbug after New Delhi, where it was found.

"Indians are touchy about this. All post-colonial societies are touchy about this," said political psychologist Ashis Nandy of the Delhi-based think-tank Centre for the Study of Developing Societies.

"The sooner we get out of that, the better."

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Men of science

Peter Higgs and Satyendranath Bose were both front and centre in the God-particle case.

- **Higgs.** He and others proposed the Higgs boson's existence in 1964. Laymen and the media often call it the God particle because its existence is the key to understanding the early existence of the universe.
- **Bose.** The boson is named in honour of the Kolkata-born scientist's work in the 1920s with Albert Einstein in defining one of two basic classes of subatomic particles. Bose died aged 80 in 1974.

River bloodshed. Giant alligator attacks teen and bites off his arm

An alligator at least three metres long lunged at a teenager swimming in a river and bit off the boy's right arm below the elbow.

Kaleb Langdale, 17, survived the encounter Monday in the Caloosahatchee River west of Lake Okeechobee, Fla.

Wildlife officers who caught and killed the alligator retrieved the arm, but doctors were unable to reattach it.

"We found the alligator that was responsible," Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission spokesperson Jorge Pino said.

"We were able to kill the alligator and dissect (it), remove the arm and transport (it) to the hospital to see if the doctors could reattach (it)."

The teen was said to be in good condition and in good spirits Tuesday in hospital.

The alligator went straight for Langdale as he was swimming, friend Matt Baker said.

"It came at him and he put his arm in the way instead of letting it get to his body. It took his arm and him under."

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Warning

"Anything that makes any splash in the water or any little commotion in the water may attract them."

Jorge Pino, spelling out the dangers swimmers face from alligators

The dead alligator is pulled from the water. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Quebec drama

Fire deaths spark murder fears

Three bodies found inside a burning garage in a community north of Montreal have police fearing a murder-suicide.

Police say autopsies are needed to identify the remains and determine the cause of death.

A family of three lived at the home in Warwick — a 47-year-old man, his 13-year-old son and 11-year-old daughter. He had full custody of the children.

In the hours leading up to the blaze, the owner of the home published a lengthy diatribe on his Facebook page denouncing a court decision allowing his ex-wife to have partial custody of the children.

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President's brother

Bribery arrest jolts South Korea

The South Korean president's brother has been arrested and taken to a detention centre after a court approved a warrant on bribery allegations, a major embarrassment to the ruling party in a presidential election year.

The Seoul Central District Court issued the arrest warrant for Lee Sang-deuk, the elder brother of President Lee Myung-bak, late Tuesday.

Hours earlier, as the suspect entered the court, protesters threw eggs at him, grabbed his tie and jostled him.

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Canadian's tribute

Asteroid named for gay pioneer

Canadian astronomer Gary Billings, who discovered several asteroids, has named one after U.S. gay-rights pioneer Frank Kameny, who died last year.

Kameny was fired from his job for being gay.

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Replica gun

Hostage-taker had fake gun: Official

An official says a man who took hostages at a school complex south of Paris used a "fake firearm." All hostages were released unharmed Tuesday and a suspect was detained.

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Border surge

Jordan opens new refugee camp

Jordan has opened a new camp to house a flood of refugees from Syria's bloodshed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Bribery? Arrest warrant issued for South Korean president's brother

A court issued an arrest warrant late Tuesday for the elder brother of South Korea's president on bribery allegations, a major embarrassment to the ruling party in a presidential election year.

The Seoul Central District Court issued the warrant hours after enraged protesters threw eggs at Lee Sang-deuk, grabbing his tie and jostling him as he entered the court for questioning.

A court official declined to provide further details, including his name or when Lee might be arrested, citing court procedures.

Prosecutors have accused the former lawmaker of taking half a million dollars in bribes from two detained bankers with the intent of using his influence to help the bankers avoid punishment.

President Lee Myung-bak ends his single, five-year presidential term early next year. Elections for the next president are in December.

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Lee Sang-deuk appears in court.
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Angry mob

- The protesters, many of them middle-aged women, said they'd lost money after the government suspended the troubled savings banks Lee is accused of taking bribes from.
- Lee wasn't directly hit by any of the eggs, but some yolk could be seen on his shoulder.

Protestant pageantry

A child stands on a massive bonfire stack in the Shankill Estate in West Belfast, Northern Ireland, on Tuesday. Thousands of such stacks have been built in Protestant areas across the country for the annual July 11 bonfire night, when they celebrate the 1690 battle of the Boyne in which the Protestant King William of Orange defeated the Catholic King James.

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UN. Kofi Annan presses his peace plan for Syria

The UN's special envoy on the Syrian crisis Kofi Annan sought to build support for his peace efforts Tuesday with the leaders of Iran and Iraq, saying President Bashar Assad has agreed to a plan to quell the bloodshed in the most violent areas of Syria and then expand the operation to the whole country.

Annan said at a news conference in Iran that the plan still must be presented to the Syrian opposition. But he said his talks with Assad focused on a new approach to ending the violence, which activists say has killed more than 17,000 people since March 2011.

"(Assad) made a suggestion of building an approach from the ground up in some of the districts where we have extreme violence — to try and contain the violence in those districts and, step by step, build up and end the violence across the country." Annan told reporters in Tehran.

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"My presence here proves that I believe Iran can play a positive role and should therefore be a part of the solution in the Syrian crisis."

Kofi Annan, after meeting with the Iranian foreign minister

Remote-controlled planes

Terror-plot accused pleads guilty

A man charged with plotting to fly remote-controlled model planes packed with explosives into the Pentagon and U.S. Capitol will plead guilty to two charges, his lawyers and prosecutors said in a plea agreement filed in federal court Tuesday.

Rezwan Ferdaus, who has a physics degree from Boston's Northeastern University, was arrested in September after U.S. federal employees posing as al-Qaida members delivered materials he had allegedly requested, including grenades, machine-guns and what he believed was 11 kg of C-4, a plastic explosive.

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Too-smart phones? May know where you're going

Researchers have developed an algorithm that can predict where you will be in the future using data gathered from your friends' smartphones.

In the study of two hundred people, the algorithm was able to predict the location of some users 24 hours later within 100 metres, some as close as 20 metres. Mirco Musolesi, lead researcher and computer science lecturer at the University of Birmingham, said the algorithm is exploiting the synchronized rhythm of the city.

"I know this kind of thing looks kind of Big Brother" said Musolesi.

"There is a problem for privacy, it is a big problem for these kind of services in general."

Still, if users' phone information could be protected, the algorithm has a potential future in targeted advertising, said Musolesi.

The algorithm predicts someone's movements by comparing their data with people in their social group. For example, if Bob usually goes to the gym on Tuesday, but instead does an errand, the algorithm will look to his friends, Jack and Joe. If Jack and Joe are doing their normal routine, the algorithm will, probably correctly, predict Bob will continue on to his normal routine, following his errand.

"The mutual information between these two patterns is very high," said Musolesi. "The movement of friends is highly coordinated, and synchronized." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Trinidad & Tobago

Machinery crushes nesting turtle eggs

A conservation group in Trinidad & Tobago is calling for an investigation into how government work crews crushed leatherback turtle eggs and hatchlings on a prime nesting beach. The endangered species' eggs and hatchlings were crushed by heavy machinery as workers redirected a shifting river over the weekend.

A conservation group says the government allowed the crew to operate "without any qualified supervision" on the ecologically sensitive beach. Conservationists say they saw thousands of crushed leatherback eggs. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hop on a bike, light up a street, and get out early

Brazil. Prison program allows inmates to get days off their sentence in exchange for producing electricity

Inmates pedal stationary bikes to charge car batteries at a prison in Santa Rita do Sapucai, Brazil. The innovative program allows inmates to shave days off their sentence. FELIPE DANA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Brazilian inmate Ronaldo da Silva hops on a bicycle and pedals furiously, clocking up several kilometres before slowing down and jumping off.

Silva hasn't gotten far, in fact not an inch. He's still inside the medium-security prison where he's serving a 5.5-year sentence for holding up a bakery.

But he did move a bit closer to freedom. Silva is part of an innovative program that allows inmates at a prison in Brazil's southeastern Minas Gerais state to reduce their sentences in exchange for generating power to help illuminate the town at night.

By pedaling the prison's stationary bikes, the inmates charge a battery that's used to power 10 street lamps along the town's riverside promenade. For every three eight-hour days they spend on the bikes, Silva and the voluntary program's other participants get one day shaved off their sentences.

It is one of several new projects being implemented across Brazil, including literacy and book-reading programs, aimed at thinning out notoriously overcrowded prisons and cutting down on recidivism by helping restore inmates' sense of self-worth. Lambasted by critics as too soft on criminals, such initiatives are seen by their defenders as effective ways of breaking the cycle of violence that reigns in the country's prisons.

"We used to spend all day locked up in our cells, only seeing the sun for two hours a day," said 38-year-old Silva. "Now we're out in the fresh air, generating electricity for the town and at the same time we're winning our freedom." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Porn star was courted to catch Magnotta

Twin Playboy bunnies and an animal-rights group tried to enlist one of the world's biggest porn stars last year to help catch Luka Rocco Magnotta.

Ron Jeremy said he was asked to lure Magnotta, a small-time Canadian porn actor, to Los Angeles with a phoney job offer to appear in an X-rated flick.

The ploy was concocted more than a year before Magnotta became a murder suspect in the gruesome death of Montreal student Jun Lin.

Instead of meeting a legend who's cavorted for the camera in more than 2,000 adult films, Magnotta was to be apprehended by a hard-nosed group of animal-rights activists.

Jeremy, however, got cold feet and the sting operation never moved ahead.

At the time, animal-rights advocates had alleged that Magnotta killed kittens and posted videos of the deeds on the Internet — accusations he has publicly denied.

Jeremy, an active animal-rights campaigner, wanted to help out, but was uncomfortable with the whole idea of being the bait.

Ron Jeremy JASON MERRITT/GETTY IMAGES

"That's a little bit out of my league, don't you think?" Jeremy said in a phone interview about the January 2011 proposal.

"It's like an episode from some TV show. The (guy) comes to the set with lube in one hand and his schmeckle in the other thinking he has a job, and the cops tackle him to the ground.

"That's good for the movies. That doesn't work in real life."

Last month, Magnotta was charged with first-degree murder in the ghastly May slaying and dismemberment of the 33-year-old Lin. He pleaded not guilty in a Montreal courtroom.

The idea for the porn-gig trap was hatched by Rescue Ink, a group of rough-and-tumble animal activists based in Queens, N.Y. Its membership includes police officers, military personnel and tattooed "street guys."

To connect with Jeremy, Rescue Ink reached out to a couple of his acquaintances: former Playboy playmates Sia and Shane Barbi, also known as the Barbi Twins.

Up until a recent chat with a reporter, Jeremy wasn't even aware that Magnotta was now a murder suspect.

"I told Sia I'm willing to do things and help, do public service announcements, or whatever it takes," said Jeremy, 59, who has been a spokesman for People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.

"But I'm not a law-enforcement agent. How do I catch somebody?"

The actor, who has also directed nearly 300 porn films, was to personally invite Magnotta to come to a Hollywood adult-movie set.

Rescue Ink collaborators would have been waiting there in the shadows to pounce on an unsuspecting Magnotta. Their captive would have later been handed over to authorities. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Apple

iPads to start selling in China after settlement

Apple will start selling the iPad in China on July 20 after paying $60 million US to settle a dispute over the ownership of the tablet's name. Apple said it bought the global rights to the iPad name from Shenzhen Proview Technology in 2009, but Chinese authorities said the rights in China were never transferred. A Chinese court ruled in December that Proview still owned the name in China and the company asked Chinese authorities to seize iPads. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Market Minute

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Privacy probe

Google poised to pay record fine

Google has agreed to pay a $22.5 million US fine to settle allegations that it broke a privacy promise by secretly tracking the online activities of millions of people who use Apple's Safari web browser.

That's according to a person familiar with Google Inc.'s negotiations to settle a case brought by the Federal Trade Commission.

If approved, the $22.5 million fine would be the largest penalty ever imposed by the FTC. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RIM executives clash with shareholders over leadership

BlackBerry maker.
Chairwoman says she is confident re-elected board will move company forward

Chairwoman Barbara Stymiest and Thorsten Heins, president and CEO of Research In Motion, talk at the company's Annual General Meeting in Waterloo, Ont., on Tuesday. DAVE CHIDLEY/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Shareholders of Research In Motion expressed their frustration Tuesday with the company's delayed product launch and eroding market share, with some calling for a major upheaval in its leadership.

RIM's annual meeting served as the first time since last summer that most of the company's investors have had an opportunity to speak directly to RIM's executive team, including new chief executive Thorsten Heins.

One shareholder took to the microphone to offer his best wishes for Heins before turning his attention to the board members who have helped guide the company since its heyday as the dominant smartphone.

"They've let this problem that RIM faces ... get out of hand so badly before they did something about it," he said. "I don't think, personally, that any of the old directors of the company should sit here today."

The crowd of about 300 people broke into applause after the comments.

However, despite the vocal criticism, shareholders still re-elected all of the board nominees, though John Richardson had support withheld by 30.2 per cent of the votes.

Investors in the company have been looking for any hints of a timeline for the BlackBerry 10 launch, which was pushed from later this year into the first three months of 2013, missing the key back-to-school and holiday shopping seasons.

Barbara Stymiest, the company's new chairwoman, defended RIM's leadership.

"Part of the dynamics in managing any board is managing smooth transitions, and we will continue to do that going forward," she said.

Some shareholders were holding out hopes the board can turn the troubled company's fate around.

George Sinclair of London, Ont., said he was putting his faith in RIM's current plan, which has included a delay in its BlackBerry 10 operating system and new products until next year, so that additional tweaks could get it ready for the market.

"I'm convinced that's the way to go at this time," he said.

"I'm not prepared to give up yet. I think there's still a reasonable chance that the company can be successful again."

Fellow shareholder Gerald Bissett had a similar level of cautious confidence, though he acknowledged some have called for RIM to sell off parts of its operations to cut costs.

"I think they should wait until the new system comes out," he said. "If that doesn't work, ballgame over."

Others saw RIM's troubles coming years ago.

Marc Rivard said he moved from Waterloo to nearby Cambridge, Ont., once he saw signs that RIM was losing its smartphone market share in North America.

"One of the reasons was because I was worried so many jobs would get lost and my house price would drop," he said.

"My house is a lot bigger investment than my few thousand, er, well, now couple hundred dollars worth of RIM shares." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Real estate. Market at a tipping point: Firm

Canadian home prices generally rose in the second quarter and the pace of home-building increased in June, but industry observers say the real estate market is at a "tipping point" and could soon lose steam.

Royal LePage, one of the country's largest real-estate sales organizations, said Tuesday that prices for all types of housing were mostly higher in the second quarter compared to both the first quarter of 2012 and the second quarter of 2011.

And prices will likely rise further in some areas, such as Toronto and Winnipeg, the firm added.

But the report suggests some areas are now likely too expensive for buyers at the current levels.

And some of the local markets it tracks showed declines in the second quarter compared with a year ago.

Some types of homes in some cities showed lower local average selling prices, such as those in Victoria, B.C., Moncton, N.B., and Saint John, N.B.

Interest rates have remained at the current one per cent since September 2010, which has kept fixed mortgage rates low and helped to spur robust buying activity in the housing market. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Aerospace. Bombardier lands $764M contract

Bombardier Aerospace says Latvia-based Air Baltic Corp. has signed a letter of intent to acquire 10 CS300 aircraft and take purchase rights on a further 10 of the passenger jets.

Based on the list price of the CS300, the contract is worth approximately $764 million US and could increase to $1.57 billion US should the 10 purchase rights be converted to firm orders.

Bombardier Aerospace, a subsidiary of Bombardier Inc., also has a conditional order for five CS100 and 10 CS300 jetliners placed by an unidentified customer earlier this week at the air show.

"The CSeries aircraft program continues to reach new milestones, expanding into new markets with unique applications," said Mike Arcamone, the president of Bombardier Commercial Aircraft.

Air Baltic serves 60 destinations with direct flights from its home base in Riga, Latvia. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Economy. Weak recovery creating a lost generation, report warns

The weak global recovery is turning unemployment into a long-term structural problem with the potential to scar youth and some workers the rest of their lives, the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development warns.

In a new report on employment in the post-recession years, the Paris-based economic think-tank calls on policy-makers in large parts of Europe and in the U.S. to take "urgent action" to prevent a cyclical jobless problem from becoming permanent.

Secretary-General Angel Gurria singles out youth unemployment at 16.2 per cent in the 34-country area covered by the OECD, and long-term joblessness — workers that have been without a job for periods of one year and longer and two years and longer.

Canada gets mostly a free pass in the report. The OECD notes unemployment sits at 7.2 per cent in Canada, as opposed to 7.9 per cent for the OECD average, and is projected to decline to 6.4 per cent by late 2013.

Quoted

"We need to avoid the risk of a lost generation by all means."
Secretary-General Angel Gurria

But while Canada is doing better than many advanced nations since the recovery, TD Bank economist Francis Fong says the situation is not as rosy as the OECD presents it. THE CANADIAN PRESS

TOUGH TO DENY GLOBAL WARMING WITH RECORD HEAT

JUST SAYIN'
Paul Sullivan
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The evidence is mounting.

The past six months have been the hottest in U.S. history. Going back further, the last 12 months have been the hottest in the U.S. since they began keeping weather records and all the meteorologists had beards.

If that's not "global warming," I don't know what is. But, of course, if you're floating along De Nial and you encounter evidence that might capsize your boat, you just toss it overboard.

Science says ...

Frustrated by the intransigence of climate-change deniers, scientists are standing in line to point at the latest results and say 'I told you so.'

There's a great new book by Michael Shermer, the editor of the Skeptic magazine, called The Believing Brain, which argues we have a tendency to form our beliefs first and then go out looking for the evidence to support them, rather than the other way around. How else can you explain the fact that more people believe in angels (72 per cent) than Darwin's Theory of Evolution (45 per cent), even though there is plenty of evidence for evolution (e.g., the entire fossil record) and zero evidence for angels (It's a Wonderful Life doesn't count).

Of course there are exceptions. Like Vancouver, where I live. Vancouver appears to be the sole exception to global warming on the entire continent. While everyone else is sweltering through the hottest summer on record, the poor downtrodden, sodden masses of Vancouver have just been through the fourth-coldest June on record. It's been the Vancouver version of winter (10 degrees, raining) since last October.

From where we sit (shivering, cowering), global warming can only be seen as a cruel hoax. It may have reached an all-time record high of 113 F (45 C) in Johnston, S.C., recently, but it only reached or exceeded 20 C five times in Vancouver throughout all of May and June. I've got moss growing on the north side of my house. My feet haven't been warm since 1989, when I moved to the "Wet Coast."

Global warming is a little quirky in spots.

That doesn't mean it doesn't exist. Angered and frustrated by the intransigence of climate-change deniers, scientists are standing in line to point at the latest results and say "I told you so." That's except for those scientists whose funding has been cut by the Harper government. They're standing in that other line, the unemployment line.

This weather is crazy, just like Jeff Grayson, who somersaults from a rope swing in Cockeysville, Md., in this July 2 photo.
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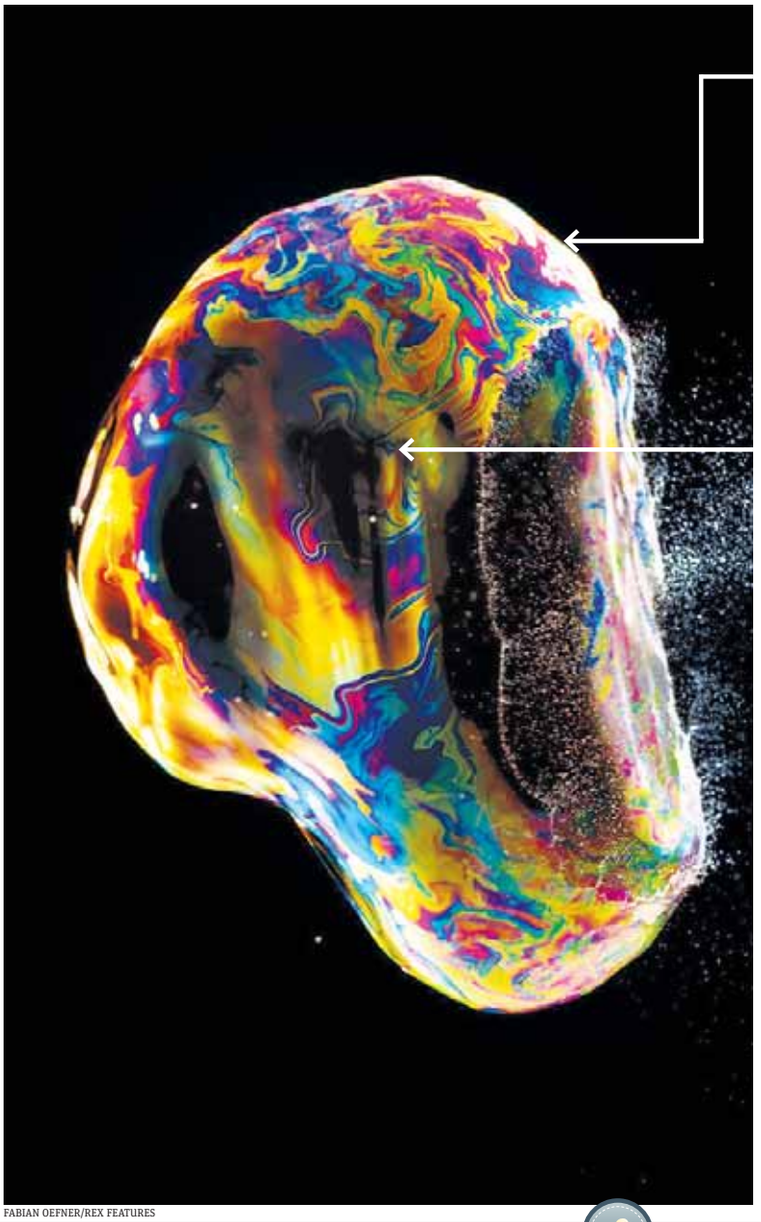
I'm guessing all this hot air will remain an inconvenient truth, especially for the government of Canada, which is among the most heavily invested in denial, thanks to the inconvenient truth that Alberta's oilsands — which mean billions to the nation's economy — are the poster petroleums of climate change.

Still, when Calgary, Stephen Harper's own Greatest City on Earth, and principal beneficiary of the oilsands, is in the middle of a nasty heat wave, you have to wonder if he and his oil-baron buddies are getting a little hot under the collar.

If they're looking for relief, we in Vancouver will gladly take a couple of degrees.

Sorry to burst your bubble



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Offbeat photography

Artwork goes pop

This surreal amorphous shape looks like something otherworldly, but in truth it's an ordinary soap bubble, made to look spectacular thanks to some ingenious high-speed photography.

Swiss photographer Fabian Oefner, 28, made it his mission to capture the short-lived beauty of bubbles as they burst. METRO

Oefner on his art

- **The first challenge.** "A soap bubble is made of a thin film of water, on which soap molecules gather on both sides. The vibrant colours that bubbles are famous for are created by the reflected light hitting the surface of the bubble — the bubble itself has no colour at all. To make these reflection effects ... I had to place lights around the bubbles from all different sides."

Other uses of bubbles

Bubbles used for thinnest TV screen

Earlier this month, an international research team discovered a way to use a soap-bubble screen as the world's thinnest TV display. Japanese and U.S. scientists used ultrasonic sound to change the properties of a bubble's membrane. The technology can be used to display 3D images using a series of bubble screens put together. METRO

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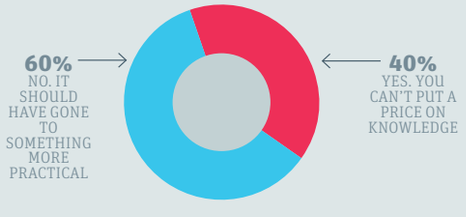

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Big Brother is back

Julie Chen returns as host for the 14th season of Big Brother. HANDOUT

Top 10 Big Brother moments

To mark the return of the in-fighting and intrigue that makes Big Brother so hard not to watch, we count down some of the craziest moments from the first 13 seasons. The reality show returns to Global this Thursday at 9 p.m. ET/PT.

1 **Torture cage:** A challenge where house guests were locked in a cage for several hours attached to a button with restricted movement. (Season 6)

2 **All washed up:** Housemates had to collect liquid while running through aisles of foam. (Season 8)

3 **Bunny hop:** House guests had to stand on a platform for several hours holding a key during a freezing-cold water downpour. (Season 8)

4 **Name that pie:** A food challenge where house guests had to eat a pie and guess the unpleasant ingredients. (Season 8)

5 **Brownie house:** A food challenge where the contestants had to gain the most weight after eating a large house made of brownies. (Season 3)

6 **Shannon's revenge:** Shannon cleans the toilet with fellow contestant Hardy's toothbrush. Producers had to step in to stop the act. (Season 2)

7 **Renny sleepwalking:** Enough said. (Season 10)

8 **Twins revealed:** Adria and Natalie reveal that they are twins and have been switching places for weeks. (Season 5)

9 **Marcellus gives up veto:** He gives it up because he is certain the team will let him stay, but he winds up eliminated. (Season 3)

10 **Will's veto speech:** The speech when he says he hates everyone and wants to go home. (Season 7)

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Ice Age: Continental Drift continues a Hollywood tradition of bending history. HANDOUT

Hollywood history earns failing grade

Top 10. Here are just a few examples of movies that rewrite the history books to suit their narratives

IN FOCUS
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"We fought dinosaurs in the ice age," Sid the Sloth says in this weekend's Ice Age: Continental Drift. "It didn't make sense, but it was fun."

It doesn't make sense because dinosaurs were already extinct by the time Manny, Sid and Diego entered the ice age, but the popular kids' movies aren't trying to teach, they're simply continuing a long-held Hollywood tradition of bending history to suit their stories.

Here are 10 other bits of Hollywood history that earn a failing grade.

1 The movie When Dinosaurs Ruled the Earth drew on Phoenician, Latin and Sanskrit to create a fake caveman language. Here's a quick Berlitz primer in cavespeak: For "come back" say "neecha," "akita" is "look" and "neecro" is "bad."

2 The man-eating Rhedosaurusis in The Beast from 20,000 Fathoms is a dinosaur, but one that no paleontologist would recognize. It's rumoured the mythical beast's name was inspired by the initials of the man who created it, special effects wiz Ray Harryhausen.

3 Mel Gibson wore clothes from the future in Braveheart. The movie is set in the late 13th century, but the kilts he wears didn't come into existence until 300 years later.

4 Instead of dying in the gladiatorial arena, as Gladiator would have you believe, Emperor Commodus was strangled in a bathtub a decade after his would-be movie assassin (played by Russell Crowe) died.

5 The Spartans in 300 run into battle against the Persian army protected only by leather thongs and rock-hard abs, when in fact they wore bronze armour.

In 300, the Spartans are depicted wearing leather thongs and not much else. In reality, they wore bronze armour. HANDOUT

6 As a knight returning from the Crusades in 1272, Nic Cage discovers a plague outbreak in Season of the Witch. Trouble is, the Black Death didn't strike until 76 years later.

7 In 10,000 BC woolly mammoths are used as labour to build the pyramids in Egypt. Wrong! Woolly mammoths weren't desert creatures and the pyramids weren't built until 2500 BC.

8 In Elizabeth: The Golden Age, the Queen is courted by Ivan the Terrible in 1585, who, in reality, was dead by then, felled by a stroke while playing chess.

9 California joins the Union at the end of Legend of Zorro in a ceremony that includes President Lincoln. Whoops! California became a state in 1850 and Lincoln wasn't president until 1861.

10 The title of the historical disaster film Krakatoa: East of Java is a geographical head-scratcher. Krakatoa was actually west of Java.

Scene in brief

Run-DMC to perform for first time in a decade

They haven't performed together in more than a decade, but the surviving members of Run-DMC are set to reunite this fall at the Fun Fun Fun Fest in Austin. Joseph Simmons, now known as Rev. Run, and Darryl "DMC" McDaniels retired the group after their DJ, Jam Master Jay, was killed in 2002. But it was announced Tuesday that the band will be among the performers for the Nov. 2-4 event. Festival organizers say they plan to donate some of the proceeds to the JMJ Foundation for Music, which works to give youth access to the arts. The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame group is best known for hits like Walk This Way, It's Like That and My Adidas.

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On the web

Crooner Michael Bublé joins Blake Shelton's The Voice team, advising singing contestants.

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

Lily Allen. ALL PHOTOS FROM GETTY IMAGES

Lily Allen pregnant with second child?

After welcoming her first child with husband Sam Cooper in November 2011, Lily Allen is reportedly pregnant again, with a second child due later this year, according to the Sunday Mirror.

"She's pregnant but it's early. Lily doesn't want to talk about it yet," a source says.

"Lily has started telling her friends, and everybody in her close circle is so excited for her."

Last month, Allen announced she was back in the recording studio, but those plans may have to wait.

"It was a surprise, but Lily and Sam are thrilled," a source says of the new pregnancy.

"The pair of them have loved every minute of parenthood so far and wanted to expand their brood quickly. So it's great timing."

The Word

Katie Holmes goes to a Spice Girl for marriage counseling

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After she reached a divorce settlement with Tom Cruise on Monday, we were all set to go back to ignoring Katie Holmes for the next decade or so.

But then this little bit leaked: It seems she turned to none other than Victoria Beckham for marriage advice.

"Victoria's been a real tower of strength. Katie's seen how a normal marriage should function by being around Victoria and David Beckham, so she knew that something was wrong with her relationship with Tom," a source tells Now magazine.

"(Victoria) has been trying not to take sides, but she has let Katie know she'll be there for her whatever she chooses to do."

Katie, we get that you've had an exceedingly strange, disconnected five years, but marriage counseling from a Spice Girl?

Did you consult your Barbie legal panel, too?

Join us back in the real world, girl.

Kristen Wiig

Kristen Wiig continues to shy away from spotlight

Kristen Wiig is enjoying her budding romance with Strokes drummer Fabrizio Moretti — who used to date Wiig pal Drew Barrymore — but that doesn't mean she's comfortable talking about it.

"I am shyer than most people think," Wiig tells Marie Claire. "I will say that I'm happier than I've been and I feel very lucky right now."

As for her departure from Saturday Night Live after seven seasons, Wiig says that was always the plan.

"I know a lot of people probably assume, 'Oh, she's leaving because she is going to be doing movies now and things like that,' which I will be," she says.

"But I just always knew it was going to be seven and that was it. I think maybe if I were 22, I could see myself staying a little bit, but it just felt like the right time."

Samantha Ronson

Slightly talented celebrity calls out talentless celebrity

Celebrity DJ Samantha Ronson isn't pleased with Paris Hilton's decision to become a DJ, according to TMZ.

"If you're just like, 'Oh, I want to figure out how I can make more money this week,' it insults the people that work really hard at it," Ronson tells the website about the news.

"It's like me calling myself a doctor from reading WebMD twice."

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Travel in brief

Montreal hotel tops customer review

A downtown Montreal hotel boasting an art collection featuring the likes of Andy Warhol, Roy Lichtenstein and Marc Chagall has topped Expedia's annual list of the best Canadian hotels. LHotel, located on Rue Saint-Jacques near the Palais des congress, scored highest in 2011 in Expedia customer reviews, says the online travel agency. The hotel, which opened in 2001, occupies an 1870 building that first served as the head office of the Montreal City and District Savings Bank. Other top-rated Canadian hotels on the Expedia.ca list: Pan Pacific Whistler Village Centre, Whistler-Blackcomb, B.C.; Halifax; and Pinnacle Hotel at the Pier, North Vancouver.
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On the web

Canadians not always aware of medical costs when travelling: BMO survey

Are you brave enough to descend into a Hell Hole?

Some of the Hell Holes near Napanee, Ont., have ladders so visitors can descend their depths. COURTESY: TOP 115 UNUSUAL THINGS TO SEE IN ONTARIO, BOSTON MILLS PRESS

Book excerpt.
Looking for a trip off the beaten path? Try thumbing through a collection of weird Ontario sites

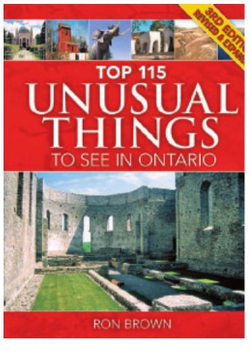
A walk through the forest can sometimes be a dangerous thing, not necessarily from wolves or bears or even deer hunters, but from a careless step into a hole, especially when the hole leads to Hell.

The limestone ridge along the Salmon River north of Napanee, Ont. contains some of the area's most unusual natural features. There are caves, crevices and odd-looking rock columns. But the strangest of the oddities are what locals call the "Hell Holes."

To early settlers unfamiliar with geology, these holes in the forest floor seemed to have no end. While most are little larger than foxholes, a few are large enough to allow a human to squeeze through. Those who braved the descent found caverns that stretched in many directions.

Geologists refer to these phenomena as "karst" features. Karst topography occurs when soft limestone layers beneath a hard upper layer dissolve in water. This weathering causes caves and caverns, and the Hell Holes.

Similar to caves, the holes in the forest floor can open into large, pitch-black rooms, one of which was once large enough to hold 20 people (it later collapsed). While there are other locations in Ontario



with similar features, the ridge by the Salmon River, near the village of Roblindale, offers the greatest concentration of these cavities. Most are located in the privately run Hell Holes Park. Here, a self-guided trail, a little over three kilometers long, leads not only to the strange holes, but also over natural rock bridges, through eerie canyons lined with layered cliffs and columns, and then to the Devil's Horses' Stable hole, 7.5 metres deep and 2.5 by 3.5 metres square. A ladder leads to those depths.

Hell Holes Park is located on Centreville Road about 5.5 kilometres east of Highway 41, and 10.7 kilometres north of Highway 401 (Exit 579). Snacks, gifts and, of course, flashlights are available in the log cabin shop. It is said that one visitor even took his wedding vows in the Hell Holes. The duration of this marriage is not known.

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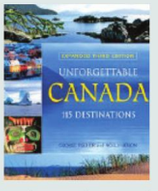

For those who wonder about sites across Canada, there's a guide for that too. Unforgettable Canada: 115 Destinations covers the most remarkable sites Canada offers from coast-to-coast. From the Gatineau Hot-Air Balloon Festival to Pacific Rim National Park Reserve, there's something that's guaranteed to pique your interest — whatever that may be.

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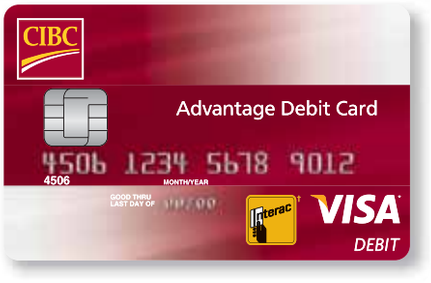

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Pueblos dig into a century of history in exhibit

New Mexico. An American Indian tribe comes together for the first time to offer their own perspective on the effects of state policies on their people

New Mexico's pueblos have a history with the federal government unlike any other American Indian tribe.

They never signed treaties, and with that came decades of a dual existence. On one hand, they didn't fit the mould the government had established for native people. Still, they were Indian enough to be subjected to policies that called for them to trade in their native languages and send their children to boarding school.

For the first time, the pueblos have come together to offer their own historical perspective on the effects of 100 years of state and federal policy as part of an exhibit at the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center in Albuquerque.

Simple black and white designs meant to represent turkey feathers form the basis of a timeline that runs through the museum. Photographs, letters, pottery and other crafts fill the space, while touch screens and QR codes link to more videos, audio interviews and documents.

"The timeline and the points along the timeline are really elements of challenges our pueblo people have faced and how pueblo people through education and through perseverance have risen through these challenges.

"It's important to teach a younger generation the foundation of why certain things are the way they are," said Travis Suazo, exhibition project manager.

Scattered along the Rio Grande Valley and parts of west-central New Mexico, the pueblos have a storied history that stretches from the conquest of the Spanish to Mexican rule and eventually the westward expansion of the United States. Each decade has brought with it challenges to tribal sovereignty, pueblo leaders say.

The idea of telling the story from the pueblo perspective came from a series of leadership institutes at the Santa Fe Indian School that were established partly by Regis Pecos, a former tribal governor and past director of the state's Indian Affairs agency. One goal was to start a conversation about public policy issues facing tribal communities.

Another was to prepare the next generation so it could effect change.

Aside from pulling together the exhibition, the leadership founders and other experts have been building a curriculum that better tells the pueblo story, said Ron Solimon, executive director of the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center.

"We're aiming at concentric circles of youth, native people and others," he said. "A lot of us — and I include myself — suffer from ignorance on the rich history that our pueblo people have been involved in, especially since the U.S. claimed this area as a territory."

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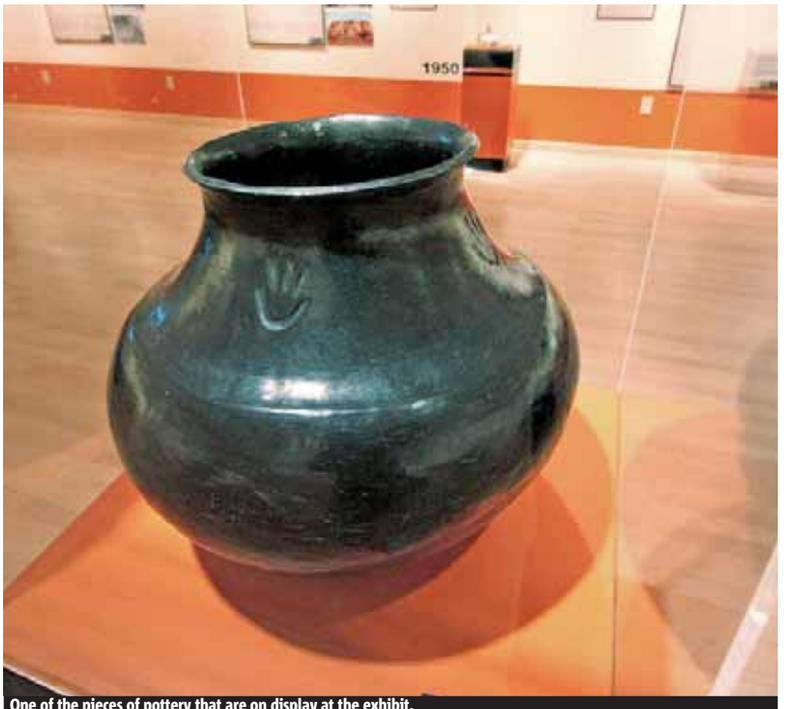

One of the pieces of pottery that are on display at the exhibit.

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A timeline runs through the museum that highlights challenges the pueblo people have faced.

If you go...

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Recent underwater excavations have turned up several artifacts. DAVID MCFADDEN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Underwater city vies for UNESCO status

Port Royal. Jamaican port known as the 'wickedest city on Earth' has been mostly submerged since the 17th century

Archaeologists are asking the United Nations' cultural agency to bestow world heritage status on Port Royal, the mostly submerged remains of a historic Jamaican port known as the "wickedest city on Earth" more than three centuries ago.

Receiving the designation from UNESCO would place Port Royal in the company of global marvels such as Cambodia's Angkor temple complex and India's Taj Mahal.

The sunken 17th century city was once a bustling place where buccaneers including Henry Morgan docked in search of rum, women and boat repairs.

International consultants have conducted painstaking surveys to mark the old city's land and sea boundaries to apply for the world heritage designation by June 2014, said Dorrick Gray, a technical director with the Jamaican National Heritage Trust, a government agency responsible for preserving and developing the island's cultural spots.

Port Royal was the main city of the British colony of Jamaica in the 17th century until an earthquake and tsunami submerged two-thirds of the settlement in 1692. It boasted a well-to-do population of roughly 7,000 at the time, and was comparable to Boston.

After the quake, the remainder of the town served as a British royal navy base for two centuries, even as it was periodically ravaged by fires and hurricanes.

In his sprawling book Caribbean, American author James Michener described Port Royal as having "no restraints of any kind, and the soldiers stationed in the fort seemed as undisciplined as the pirates who roared ashore to take over the place night after night. They were of all breeds, all with nefarious occupations."

Now, it's a depressed fishing village at the tip of a spit of land near Kingston's airport. It has little to attract visitors except some restaurants offering seafood and a few dilapidated historic buildings. The sunken, algae-covered remnants of the city are in murky waters in an archaeological preserve closed to divers without a permit.

But in recent decades, underwater excavations have turned up artifacts including cannonballs, wine glasses, ornate pipes, pewter plates and ceramic plates dredged from the muck just offshore. The partial skeleton of a child was also found in 1998.

Experts said it's among the top British archaeological sites in the Western Hemisphere and should be protected for future generations. "There is outstanding potential here. Submerged towns like this just do not exist anywhere else in the Americas," said Robert Grenier, a Canadian underwater archaeologist who has worked closely with UNESCO.

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Maroons eye tourism to preserve heritage

Way of life. Descendants of escaped slaves share their traditions with visitors so they aren't turned to history

In a backwoods town along a river cutting between green mountains, quick-footed men and women spin and stomp to the beat of drums. This traditional dance re-enacts the Jamaican Maroons' specialty: the ambush. It was once a secret ritual of the bands of escaped slaves who won their freedom by launching raids on planters' estates and repelling invasions of their forest havens with a mastery of guerrilla warfare.

But on this day, descendants of those 18th century fugitives are performing for tourists, academics, filmmakers and other curious outsiders in a fenced "Asafu" dancing yard in Charles Town, a once-moribund Maroon settlement in eastern Jamaica that seemed destined to lose its traditions until revivalists gradually brought it back.

Maroons in the Caribbean are increasingly showcasing their unique culture for visitors in hopes that heritage tourism will guarantee jobs for the young generation and preserve what remains of their centuries-old practices in mostly remote settlements.

"If we don't follow in the footsteps of our foreparents we will find ourselves on the heap of history," said Wallace Sterling, the "colonel" of the Windward Maroon community of Moore Town.

It is one of Jamaica's four semi-autonomous Maroon tracts, each governed by an elected colonel, a title bestowed on Maroon leaders since their battles with the British army, and a council appointed by the leader. Trying to counter the tide of migration and assimilation, long secretive Maroons are going public with the old ways — singing sacred songs, drumming, making herbal medicine, talking to ancestral spirits, woodcarving, hunting and more. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

A Maroon spiritual leader. DAVID MCFADDEN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Pack strategically for your next trip — and watch the pounds disappear

Sleek and chic. There's nothing worse than lugging an overstuffed suitcase through an airport — follow these tips for lighter trips

Ditch that overstuffed leather suitcase and opt for a sleek mini polycarbonate one instead. ISTOCK

The coveted look for vacationers this summer is sleek and chic — with an emphasis on sleek.

Many travellers, especially air travellers, are aiming to get up and go with as few accoutrements as they can without sacrificing style.

People are thinking about packing light at all stages of the travelling process: from what suitcases they'll use to the souvenirs they'll buy.

Stylist Amanda Ross, fashion director for travel-themed Departures magazine, says she thinks about packing when she's doing her initial shopping. "It really comes down to how you shop and what your wardrobe is about."

But even more basic is the bag it will go in.

There are more FedEx boxes of clothes and accessories coming into the lobby of Manhattan's upscale Mondrian SoHo than one might imagine — and fewer luxury-brand suitcases that would complement the handbags that its typical fashion-savvy guests carry, says hotel general manager Gary Thomas.

He personally uses that send-ahead system. "You don't have to carry anything then or worry about an extra pound or two, and it's even more reliable than taking it with you."

There are also fewer last-minute items, the ones you rarely "need," tossed in, he says.

"The weight issue has become huge, especially in the past year," agrees Dan Tarala, vice-president of product design and strategy for Victorinox Travel Gear. "It's the No. 1 thing we hear."

The complaints started in Europe, he says, but have moved west and east, north and south. When he started with Victorinox almost 10 years ago, the goal was to get a suitcase that could be used for two weeks down to 17 pounds; now it's five pounds.

Of course, consumers want to shed weight without losing any of the features they have come to like or looks they want to wear.

In the world of suitcases, that means wheels still rule. They've just changed to smaller, more nimble ones, says Tarala.

The evolving trend toward four wheels instead of two might seem counterintuitive, but they can be smaller and better distribute weight. They also encourage a lower profile of the bag, which results in more efficient use of the space inside.

Hard-side suitcases made of polycarbonate, as opposed to soft leather or nylon bags, are gaining wider acceptance, Tarala says. The hard bags need less framing inside.

They offer durability comparable to nylon, and the modern design can rival the luxury of leather.

"The shift is not just looking at the main body material," Tarala says.

"We are looking at the overall frame: switching to honeycombs and laminated foam instead of solid pieces, less dense nylons versus metal for hardware and connection points. We don't want to take anything away from the customer."

He recommends using a 50-50 split case — the middle divider is the difference between everything inside the bag shifting "all over the place," Tarala says — and starting packing by filling the voids near the handles and the wheel casings.

Ross puts the heaviest item in first: her shoes. She tries to restrict herself to one pair of flat daytime shoes and a dressier pair of evening heels. They have to go with everything, she says, but she won't skimp with shoes that are flimsy, even if they are lighter. That would be penny-wise and pound-foolish.

Could you get away with only black shoes? Only brown? By starting off thinking that way, you'll end up organizing your outfits ahead of time, which minimizes extra last-minute stuff, Ross says.

Whether it's business or leisure travel, Ross wears a lot of dresses on the road. "They're the least amount of work, the least amount of thought — and the most multipurpose. You can change from a flat to heel and wear the same thing all day."

She's particularly fond of seasonless jersey dresses that don't wrinkle, even if rolled up tight. And, Ross says, there's definitely no hangers in her bag. "Even if I'm going to an 'event,' it could be cocktail to black-tie, I pack my dress in a plastic dry-cleaner bag, folded in half."

Ross also relies on cashmere cardigans and wraps, which are still needed in summer. They will fold up flatter than you expect, she says.

Jewelry is the one thing she brings knowing that it adds heft to her bag, but it adds even more style. It goes in her carry-on, shopper-style bag with her computer, phone and notebook. Ross says she treats that bag as a mobile office, leaving most personal clutter out of it. She will tuck inside a clutch handbag if a more formal occasion is on the itinerary, and if the trip involves sightseeing, a small day bag with a chain strap.

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Ottawa 'hood filled with discerning 'taste'

Hintonburg. Rough-and-tumble neighbourhood is home to some of the best treats in Canada's capital

On the first day the word went out on Twitter that the new TacoLot food stand was slinging its wares, the place ran out of product somewhere around 1 p.m.

At SuzyQ doughnuts next door — with homemade, melt-in-your-mouth confections including a real bacon and maple syrup doughnut — you have to visit strategically to ensure you snag your favourites.

And trying to find a seat at Tennessy Willems, the wood-fired pizza joint across the street, takes some serious pre-planning.

Hintonburg, a rough-around-the-edges neighbourhood just minutes west of Ottawa's downtown, is home to a flourishing strip of corner restaurants, cult take-out joints and hipster hangouts.

The new foodie haven has a certain DIY quality. The TacoLot and SuzyQ's are both housed in simple shacks, with little fussy adornment. People sit on picnic tables or on stools and get sticky fingers. "This neighbourhood is awesome ... I live here now again," said TacoLot manager Sam Bissessar, who was raised in neighbouring Mechanicsville — formerly one of Ottawa's poorest areas.

Quoted

"When I grew up (in Hintonburg) there was nothing, no stores, it was a bad neighbourhood. Here now there's a mix of everyone, so I really like that — I always say variety is the spice of life."

Sam Bissessar, TacoLot manager

Inside Suzy's, the floors are on a tilt. Doughnuts are made by hand in the hot back kitchen, and dropped into an enormous vat of oil. The day's flavours are written on a chalkboard wall — caramel de sel, lemon raspberry, toasted coconut.

Sue Hamer began making homemade doughnuts while working at Canada Post. She got so many orders from work, and later at a local farmer's market, that she decided to make it a full-time gig.

"It's just turning out to be a really hip part of town, and I think people like that it's a little edgy still, but there's a lot of fresh, young entrepreneurs like myself who are taking a chance and trying new ideas and it's been received really well," said Hamer.

This stretch of Wellington Street is eclectic. Looming above the newer establishments is the enormous Saint-Francois d'Assise francophone church, built in 1890. Two of the area's anchors are the Elmdale House, a true tavern dating back to the '30s that hosts live bands, and the Giant Tiger, part of regional chain of discount stores.

Neighbourhood favourite Hintonburger was set up inside a defunct KFC outlet. The big bucket on the pole outside is still there, but now families cram in front of the takeout window inside to get fresh-cut fries and homemade burgers.

The Hintonburg Public House, a buzzing pub with fancier food than most beer joints, features a long wooden bar and mismatched tables and chairs. A kids menu includes house-breaded cod and fries, and sides of broccoli or creamed cabbage.

The Public House and nearby Back Lane Cafe, have both managed to achieve what has largely eluded Ottawa eateries over the years – that neighbourhood-haunt vibe that doesn't come with laminated plastic menus.

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Hintonburg might be rough around the edges, but it has good eats. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

If you go...

- **Back Lane Cafe:** 1087 Wellington St. W.
- **Hintonburger.** 1096 Wellington St. W.
- **Hintonburg Public House.** 1020 Wellington St. W.
- **SuzyQ Doughnuts:** 991 Wellington St. W.
- **TacoLot:** 995 Wellington St. W.
- **Tennessy Willems:** 1082 Wellington St. W.

Doughnuts on display at SuzyQ. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

A perfumier for a day in France

On the scent. The French town of Grasse produces most of the world's perfumes. Our writer nosed around

When a nose is creating a new perfume, they sit down at what is known as an "orgue a parfum," shelves lined with up to 3,000 vials of different notes. I'm to create my own composition from a more modest selection of just 150 bottles of pre-mixed scents, aromas of everything from lavender to pineapple and freshly-cut grass.

They're lined up in neat tiers in the fragrance-making studio at Galimard, one of the three major perfume houses in the French town of Grasse, the heart of the country's perfume-making industry.

One hundred and fifty is still enough choice to challenge the indecisive, especially with the added pressure of having the chance to create my dream perfume. Fortunately for this morning's session I'm guided by Laurent, one of Galimard's perfumers, who starts me off with a blind-smelling to find out which fragrance group I'm drawn to. He explains the architecture of a perfume: the top notes which are released for the first 10 minutes after you apply the scent, the heart notes, which give the perfume its personality and carries for up to five hours, and the base notes, which are the ones which will stick around on a scarf for around seven hours.

To my surprise Laurent says I'm drawn to woody, spicy aromas, and he picks out some base notes he thinks I might like. So the foundations of my perfume are amber, sandalwood and a floral musk.

Next up it's time to add the heart notes, the scents that give the scent its personality and will stick with you for up to five hours. I select geranium, ylang ylang, pomegranate flower, tiare — a sort of Tahitian gardenia flower — honeysuckle leaf and aldehyde, a synthetic fragrance first used in Chanel's famous No 5, which I think gives my creation a pleasingly '70s-style vibe.

I'm scent-addled by the time I choose from hundreds of top notes, and end up with wild geranium, rosa centifolia, English tea, green bergamot and tobacco. By the time Laurent hands over my creation, complete with a label boasting the name I've given it, "Vacances a Beaulieu," there are two women still dithering about which top notes they like best.

Make your own 'signature' scent. SUPPLIED

5 fragrant experiences

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1 Visit the International Perfume Museum

Four-thousand years of perfume-making are covered in a lively, interactive way at this museum, with exhibits that include Marie-Antoinette's travel kit. museesdegrasse.com

2 Eat flowers

Surprisingly, Chef Yves Terrillon is the only local chef to exploit the perfume connection for his menu. At his restaurant in the pretty nearby town of Tourettes Sur Loup, you can eat prawn and rose petal tagliatelle, ratatouille with lavender, and foie gras with violet. You can also learn to cook floral cuisine in his courses at L'Atelier de la Cuisine des Fleurs. crea-t-yvesculinaire.com

3 Create your own fragrance

The perfume-making "Studio des Fragrances" runs courses every day. The workshop runs for two hours and is supervised by experts who speak English, German, Italian, Japanese, Finnish and Swedish. The $56 fee includes a 100 ml bottle of your signature Eau de Parfum, and you can order extra bottles of your signature formula online at galimard.com.

4 Eat a floral fougassette

Only in Grasse can you snack on a fougassette – a sort of soft, sweet, doughy flatbread – that is delicately perfumed with orange blossom water. It's only available at Venturi, a tiny bakery just off the square in the old town. Fougassettes Venturini 1 rue Marcel Journet, Grasse. venturini.mauro@orange.fr

5 Learn the history

The visitors' centre of perfume house Galimard is a great place to learn about perfume. The guide explains the different techniques for extracting the scented oils from flowers including jasmine, rose and lavender, which makes just one litre of essential oil from 150 kg of flowers. galimard.fr

Fragrance factoids

- **Brands.** The 40 factories in Grasse create formulas for the big-name perfume brands, including Dior, YSL and Chanel. Three perfume factories here create their own fragrances, Fragonard, Molinard and Galimard.
- **Harvest.** Violet and mimosa are harvested in the spring, roses in May and June, lavender in July and jasmine between August and October. Roses are picked daily as new flowers grow through the season, lavender is harvested once a year.
- **Imports.** While there are flower fields in the region around Grasse, the factories here create primary products for the perfume industry mostly from imported flowers. Roses come from Morocco, Turkey and Bulgaria, and Jasmine from Egypt and India.
- **Exclusivity.** In the countryside near to Grasse, there are fields with flowers grown exclusively for major perfume brands including Dior and Chanel.

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Turn cherries upside down (literally) in simple, yet mouth-watering, cake

Ingredients

Filling
- 3 tbsp (45 ml) unsalted butter
- 1/2 cup (125 m) brown sugar
- 4 cups (1 l) California cherries, pitted

Cake
- 1/2 cup (125 m) unsalted butter
- 1 cup (250 m) granulated sugar
- 2 eggs
- 2 tsp (10 ml) vanilla
- 1 1/2 cups (375 ml) all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 tsp (7 ml) baking powder
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) each baking soda and salt
- 1/4 tsp (1 ml) nutmeg
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) buttermilk
- Icing sugar (optional)

1. Preheat oven to 350 F (180 C). Grease a 9-inch (23-cm) baking pan. In small pan, melt butter, then stir in brown sugar, and cook until sugar dissolves and boils for 1 minute. Pour into pan and spread evenly. Arrange cherries in a single layer over sugar mixture.

2. Using an electric mixer, beat butter until creamy. Gradually add sugar and continue to beat until creamy. Add eggs one at a time, scraping down sides until blended. Add vanilla and beat. In a small bowl, stir flour with baking powder, baking soda, salt and nutmeg. Gradually add flour to butter mixture alternately with milk, starting and ending with flour.

3. Spread batter evenly over cherries. Bake in centre of preheated oven until a toothpick comes out clean, about 60 to 70 minutes. Check cake after 50 minutes, and cover loosely with foil if getting too dark. Run a knife around the edge of cake pan. After 15 minutes, carefully invert onto a cake plate. Serve warm or at room temperature. Just before serving, dust with icing sugar if you like. **NEWS CANADA/ ADAPTED BY EMILY RICHARDS, PROFESSIONAL HOME ECONOMIST, COOKBOOK AUTHOR AND TV CELEBRITY CHEF. FOR MORE, VISIT EMILYRICHARDSCOOKS.CA**

Cherry Upside Down Cake

This recipe serves 10. NEWS CANADA

Drink of the Week

Orange Dreamsicle Milkshake

For the frosty part of this milkshake, go with sorbet. Though high in sugar, sorbets generally have no fat. For creaminess, use cottage cheese. The curds blend smooth with a rich and creamy texture. Add in a bit of fat-free half-and-half to finish.

- 1 cup orange sorbet (mango also is good)
- 1/2 cup low-fat cottage cheese
- 1/2 tsp vanilla extract
- 1/2 cup fat-free half-and-half

In a blender, combine all ingredients. Blend until smooth. If you prefer a thinner consistency, drizzle in additional half-and-half while the blender is running until you get the desired consistency. Serve immediately. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Sink your teeth into a rich and creamy strawberry pie

Ingredients

Crust
- 1 1/3 cups (325 ml) graham wafer crumbs
- 3 tbsp (45 ml) granulated sugar
- 1/3 cup (75 ml) butter, melted

Strawberries
- 2 cups (500 ml) sliced locally-grown strawberries
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) granulated sugar
- 1 packet (7 g) gelatin

Filling
- 1 brick (250 g) cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) granulated sugar
- 1 cup(250 ml) canned Devon custard

Topping
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) 35 per cent whipping cream
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) granulated sugar
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) vanilla
- 6 medium whole locally grown strawberries

The English enjoy fresh strawberries with dollops of rich clotted cream, which comes exclusively from counties Devon and Cornwall in the southwest of England.
Devon custard, available in select stores in Canada, adds creaminess to this strawberry filling.

This serves six. THE CANADIAN PRESS H/O

1. Crust: In a bowl, combine wafer crumbs and sugar. Stir in butter until evenly moistened. Press firmly into lightly greased 23-cm (9-inch) pie plate. Bake in a 180 C (350 F) oven for 8 to 10 minutes or until golden brown around edge. Let cool completely.

2. Strawberries: In a medium bowl, stir together strawberries and sugar. Cover and let stand to release juices for about 45 minutes. Reserve strawberries; pour off juices and measure at least 50 ml (1/4 cup) juice; stir in gelatin. Microwave on high for about 30 seconds or until gelatin dissolves, stirring once or twice. (Or set dish in shallow pan of boiling water until gelatin dissolves.) Let cool slightly; stir into strawberries.

3. Filling: In a food processor, combine cream cheese and sugar; process until smooth, scraping down side. Add strawberry mixture; process to puree berries. Add custard; process until well combined. Pour into prepared crust. Refrigerate until set, about 4 hours.

4. Topping: In deep bowl with electric mixer, whip cream to soft peaks with sugar and vanilla. Serve pie with whipped cream and strawberries. **THE CANADIAN PRESS/FOODLAND ONTARIO**

Upside Down Berry Cheesecake. Pudding with tasty tangy flavours

If you are using fresh berries, freeze them for about half an hour. The chill helps set the pudding.

1. Chop any large berries into smaller pieces; set aside. In a bowl, using an electric mixer, beat cream cheese with sugar until fluffy; gradually beat in milk and vanilla until blended and smooth. Stir in berries.

2. Spoon into dessert cups or dishes and sprinkle with graham crackers. Serve immediately or cover and refrigerate for up to 2 days. **THE CANADIAN PRESS/ DAIRY FARMERS OF CANADA**

Ingredients

- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) mixed frozen or fresh berries, slightly thawed
- 250 g (1 brick) cream cheese, softened
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) granulated sugar or icing sugar
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) milk or any type of cream
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) vanilla
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) crumbled graham crackers, oatmeal cookies or chocolate cookies

Planning a perfect pursuit

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I need help with the hunt! Getting you from looking for a job to locking one down

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Which qualities are essential to entry-level job search success?

I love having a chance to answer this question because the qualities which are important in job searching are often overlooked.

A lot of time is spent determining the 'right' skills and worrying about having the 'right' degree. Not a lot of time is spent thinking about the process of the job search itself, and what helps you to see it through to completion (i.e., to a job offer!).

Persistence The importance of persistence is obvious. Any job search takes time and effort. And while you will find success at the end, and lots of interesting information, helpful people, and a variety of leads, along the way, there will inevitably also be doors that close, dead ends, and unhelpful people too.

When and if you stumble (and we all do), it's the ability to pick yourself up and keep going that will get you to your goal. It seems corny to say "never give up," but really being persistent and holding on to the belief that things will happen, is one of the most important qualities for successful job searching.

Commitment to networking Almost every successful job search is based on networking.

And not just the activity of networking, but the personal commitment to get out there and continually work on your networking. For some people this is really taking yourself out of your comfort zone.

It can be way easier to just sit at your computer (alone, in your comfortable home) and surf job posting sites. Talking with people, real live people, can seem way scarier, but, ultimately, job search success comes from continuing to be committed to connecting with people.

Flexibility Being flexible means being open to the unexpected opportunities and ideas that will come your way as you job search. Where we end up is rarely exactly where we expected. Your job search is not usually like going to the grocery store, where you head directly to the aisle with the product you want, and grab it. It is more like an exploration.

Until you have done a lot of your research and job searching, you won't know which aisles have what and what jobs in what organizations are even available right now.

And what is available will be constantly changing. More often I find that successful people narrow things done to a focus, but a focus that leaves space for some flexibility.

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Student Voice

The key to my success? Staying specific

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Before my final year at York University, I began to look for opportunities and started to follow up with my networks. It was not as easy as it looked.

I was successful in getting interviews, but actually landing a job was fairly difficult. In my final semester, I went through about five interviews in which I had a zero per cent success rate. I was nervous when graduation day came and I still had no full-time job.

Even with experience throughout school, it was extremely difficult to land your 'type' of job. I realized soon enough that I was all over the industry and had the mindset of just 'landing a job.' I hadn't cared about where I was looking and which was my first step to failure. Then I soon realized I wanted to target specific companies in the banking industry through my networks and was able to land a job successfully.

Where I am now
I currently am employed at CIBC World Markets as a Financial Analyst. I am looking to apply to B-school for September 2013.

My recommendations for employers, schools and career centres
Emphasis should be placed on developing new skills and educating students on how to gain a competitive advantage. Schools should organize networking events on a regular basis as it would allow students and new graduates to have some sort of motivation, especially with the downturn of the economy.

My recommendations for students
Get involved and start networking. When I started my first year at York University, I did not know where to look for advice, nor was I receiving any. I personally wouldn't want students to network solely in their final year of school rather than throughout their degree. What makes him/her stand out from other graduates/students? How is he/she more qualified? Why should we choose him/her? These are some of the questions employers tend to ask themselves when choosing their desired applicants. Do something different, get involved and network!

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Do work contracts still matter or are they irrelevant?

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In the often confusing world of workplace law, why are some agreements upheld, when many others are simply overlooked?

The answer depends on the purpose that the contract is meant to serve.

Independent contractor agreements:

It usually will not matter that workers have signed agreements stating they are contractors and not actually employees.

Often, the contract represents little else than a 'label,' which is seldom sufficient. The true test is how the parties actually behave.

Post-employment restrictions:

Many contracts contain broad restrictions preventing workers from competing with their former employers or soliciting their old clients following their departure. In certain cases these agreements will be enforced but in many others, they will easily be struck down. Why?

Because employers often take a kitchen sink approach to drafting these restrictions.

They bargain for more protection than they actually need but in doing so they sometimes get none at all. In general, the more one-sided a non-solicitation or non-competition agreement, the less likely a court will be to respect it.

Policy manuals:

In one recent case, the employer argued that since the employee had not reported harassment as she was required to under the company's policy manual, the company could not take any steps to address it. As a result, it argued, it was the employee who had breached the employment relationship, not the harasser. The court easily dismissed this notion. Although terms in a policy manual can sometimes operate as conditions of an employee's job, those terms must be reasonable or they will not be upheld.

Termination clauses:

Similarly, contractual language surrounding termination is often challenged by employees.

This is because even without a contract, there is an implied right to reasonable treatment upon termination. Why would anyone agree to anything less? Employees do not always negotiate contracts on the same footing as their employer.

Therefore, courts have developed a number of tests to protect them. If the contract is ambiguous, fails to respect statutory standards or is executed under duress, it could be set aside.

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Cycling

Former Armstrong staffers given lifetime bans

With Lance Armstrong still digging in for a legal fight, the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency on Tuesday issued lifetime sports bans to three former staff members and consultants on Armstrong's winning Tour de France teams for doping violations. Luis Garcia del Moral was a team doctor; Michele Ferrari a consulting doctor; and Jose (Pepe) Marti a team trainer for Armstrong's U.S. Postal Service and Discovery Channel squads. All had been accused by USADA of participating in a vast doping conspiracy on those teams during part or all of Armstrong's seven Tour de France victories from 1999-2005. Armstrong also has been charged and has declared his innocence.
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Mobile sports

Diego Maradona was popular with fans and helped put United Arab Emirates soccer on the map, but after his team finished eighth in a 12-team league, he was fired on Tuesday following one season as coach of Dubai club Al Wasl. Scan the code for the story.

The National League's Pablo Sandoval hits a three-run triple in the first inning off of American League starter Justin Verlander on Tuesday night in Kansas City, Mo.
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Giants huge in NL's all-star triumph

MLB. Sandoval, Cabrera provide offence, and Cain pitches gem in mid-summer blowout

All-star game

National	American
8	0

Pablo Sandoval and Melky Cabrera turned the all-star game into a Giant blowout.

Flashing their bright orange spikes and booming bats, the San Francisco sluggers keyed a five-run blitz against Justin Verlander in the first inning that sent the National League to an 8-0 romp over the American League on Tuesday night in Kansas City.

Cabrera homered and won the MVP award, and Giants teammate Matt Cain started a strong pitching performance for the NL in its most-lopsided all-star victory.

Cain combined with Stephen Strasburg, R.A. Dickey, Aroldis Chapman and the rest of a lights-out staff on a six-hitter.

"San Francisco Giants show," Matt Kemp of the rival Dodgers said during the game.

Ryan Braun, an all-star again after his drug suspension was overturned last winter, doubled, tripled and made a fine catch in the outfield to help give the NL its first three-game winning streak in two decades.

Chipper Jones singled in his final all-star at-bat at age 40 as the NL, under retired manager Tony La Russa, once again claimed home-field advantage in the World Series.

Teen sensation Bryce Harper had a shaky all-star debut. Fellow rookie Mike Trout, only 20, showed off his dynamic skills.

The game was pretty much decided a few moments after it started.

Sandoval hit the first bases-loaded triple in all-star history off Verlander, who couldn't control his 100 mph heat. Cabrera singled and scored the first run, then hit a two-run homer against Matt Harrison in a three-run fourth.

"I don't get many triples," said the slow-footed Sandoval, known as Kung Fu Panda. "We had some fun with that in the dugout."

Rafael Furcal also hit a three-bagger, making the NL the first league with three in an all-star game.

As the all-stars returned to Kansas City for the first time since 1973, La Russa bid a fond farewell to the national stage in the city where he played for his first major league team.

Having retired after managing St. Louis to last year's World Series title, La Russa became just the fourth inactive manager to skipper an all-star team and improved to 4-2.
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Soccer

A struggling Toronto FC side to host Whitecaps

Toronto FC's step forward under new coach Paul Mariner turned into two steps back Sunday in a 3-0 loss to Philadelphia.

Now the 2-11-4 MLS side looks to bounce back against the visiting Vancouver Whitecaps (8-4-6) on Wednesday at BMO Field in Toronto.

A tired Toronto side, which had tied 1-1 in Dallas last Wednesday, was repeatedly carved open in Philadelphia.

Mariner and TFC are actively looking for help, especially in the backline where defender Adrian Cann and Dicoy Williams are still struggling after long-term knee injuries. Veteran Ty Harden has an adductor strain, Chilean Miguel Aceval has fallen out of favour and teenager Doneil Henry is coming back from an allergic reaction. THE CANADIAN PRESS

NHL

Purcell re-signs with Bolts

The Tampa Bay Lightning rewarded Teddy Purcell for his breakout season on Tuesday, signing the right-winger to a three-year contract extension worth $13.5 million US.

Purcell set career highs in goals (26) and assists (41) last season.
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Teddy Purcell GETTY IMAGES FILE

Tour de France. Sources say French rider among three arrested in doping probe

The longtime problem of doping hit the Tour de France head-on Tuesday when a French rider was arrested at his team hotel and suspended by his team.

Police made their move on the Tour's first rest day in arresting Cofidis cyclist Remy Di Gregorio, with judicial officials saying two other people suspected of supplying the Frenchman with banned substances were also arrested — one along with the rider in Bourg-en-Bresse, and another in Marseille.

Remy Di Gregorio GETTY IMAGES

The officials requested anonymity because they were not authorized to speak publicly as the investigation is ongoing.
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CFL

Calvillo returns to practice

Montreal Alouettes quarterback Anthony Calvillo returned to practice Tuesday, a day after skipping a session because of a bruised left shoulder.

The 39-year-old pivot was hurt in Montreal's 41-30 win over the Winnipeg Blue Bombers on Friday.

"I'm feeling good and I'm looking to play on Thursday against Calgary," Calvillo said.

The Als will be looking for revenge against the Stamps after Calgary demolished Montreal 38-10 in Week 1. THE CANADIAN PRESS

NBA. Lewis follows fellow ring-chaser Allen to Miami

Rashard Lewis has decided to join the Miami Heat, becoming yet another shooting option for the reigning NBA champions.

Agent Tony Dutt said the free-agent forward and the Heat agreed to terms on Tuesday, and Lewis is expected to sign his contract Wednesday. Lewis's decision comes just four days after Ray Allen agreed to accept an offer from Miami.

Allen and Lewis were Seattle teammates from 2003 through 2007 and both figure to fit perfectly into Miami's plan to surround LeBron James, Dwyane Wade and Chris Bosh with even more long-range shooters.

By the numbers

$1.3M

Lewis will make the veteran minimum for Miami for this coming season, worth about $1.3 million. He will pick up another $13.7 million from the final year of his most recent contract — a $118-million, six-year pact — that was bought out earlier this off-season by New Orleans.

Allen's 2,718 made three-pointers are the most in NBA history, and Lewis ranks fifth among active players with 1,690 makes from beyond the arc. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Conservative yet controversial

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Engines

The CC's two-engine lineup is unaltered. The starting point is a 200-horsepower 2.0-litre turbocharged four-cylinder that directs its power to the front wheels.

For more thrust, you can select an available 280-horsepower 3.6-litre V6 that also comes with Volkswagen's 4Motion four-wheel-drive.

The 2.0 engine can be mated to a six-speed manual transmission or optional six-speed automated manual that VW refers to as a Direct Shift Gearbox (DSG).

2013 Volkswagen CC

- **Type.** Four-door, front-/all-wheel-drive compact sedan.
- **Engine (hp):** 2.0-litre DOHC I4, turbocharged (200); 3.6-litre DOHC V6 (280).
- **Mileage:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 10.2/6.4 (2.0, MT).
- **Base Price (incl. destination):** $36,500.

Function over form

On the inside, the most noticeable change is a rear seat that is now a true bench design with a split-folding 60:40 seat back. Before, there was a two-bucket-seat-style arrangement separated by a storage compartment. Again it appears that function has won out over form.

Rear-end redesign

The CC's revised shape is certainly most obvious at the front but to a lesser degree it includes the opposite end where a new set of brighter and faster-acting light-emitting diode (LED) taillights have been installed. Fortunately, the car's signature fastback roofline remains the same sensuous shape as before.

Review. The sleek four-door dials back the design a touch, but maintains its high-style status in VW's lineup

MALCOLM GUNN
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From a corporate-branding standpoint, it likely makes sense to create a familiar "family" look between products.

Most automakers do it at the front end with the grille, bumper and the headlights. But does it make sense to pull back a good design just to make it fit the mold?

Many would argue that the Volkswagen CC was unique and special enough to have its own signature style, but obviously the corporate bosses disagree.

Right off the bat, let's deal with the controversial side of CC's refreshening.

The delightfully delicate nosepiece hood and headlights attached to all previous models, beginning with the 2009 model year version, were unquestionably more appealing than the just-released 2013 edition. Having said that, the CC is still good looking, only now it has more in common with the conservatively shaped Passat sedan.

And far be it for anyone to judge VW too harshly these days. The automaker is currently the new "in" brand and is selling both the Passat and smaller Jetta sedans just as fast as they roll off of their assembly lines in Chattanooga, Tenn., and Puebla, Mexico, respectively. In addition, its other mix of passenger cars and tall wagons are doing a fairly brisk business.

Overall, the CC might not appeal to buyers with maximum practicality in mind, or fuel economy along with a down-to-earth price. But for a high-style sedan masquerading as a sport coupe that's geared for fun, this Volkswagen remains tops in its class, despite its more familial appearance.

The back seat holds three people now, if need be. Perhaps more importantly, it's easier to transport larger items back there.

The front end of the previous CC (pictured) was much more elegant than the current redesign, but was out of step with VW's other offerings.

By comparison

1 Volvo S60
Base price: $39,400

2 Infiniti G25
Base price: $38,500

3 Nissan Maxima
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5 DRIVE

Top Gear

What's that smell?

Yuck. The noxious smells of spilled beverages, pet whatever, partially eaten food, barfy kids, tobacco smoke and, well, you get the picture. The makers of Eco Touch Odor Eliminator claim the product will "trap and eliminate (odours) on a microscopic level," leaving your vehicle smelling faintly of ... cucumbers. The product works by spraying the affected area on the floor or seat covers (except vinyl or leather) with one or two applications, depending on the severity of the odour, and simply let dry. Sounds promising, and for $8 US for a five-ounce bottle, it's likely worth the attempt. Pick one up at ecotouch.net/odor-eliminator.
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On the Web

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8 cars for the times

Going small — super small in some cases — saves gas, but does that mean the fun is slowly being sapped from your automobile? That's just one perception a number of automakers will likely battle as they showcase light and lively entries in the steadily growing sub-compact-car class. Here are a few small-car offerings worth considering.

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1 Honda CR-Z

Honda's follow-up to the much-loved CRX hatchback is not just any car: it's a gasoline-electric hybrid that can be had with a six-speed manual transmission. At a base price of about $22,600, the CR-Z makes 122 horsepower, but seats just two people. Being a hybrid, city fuel economy is a respectable 6.5 l/100 km.

2 Scion iQ

The iQ has seating for at least two, and possibly as many as four passengers, although those tagging along in the back will have to be child-sized.

A 93-horsepower four-cylinder engine connects to a continuously variable transmission in a car that weighs about 1,000 kilograms, soaking wet.

Base price: $18,300 including destination charges.

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3 Ford Fiesta

Ford's smallest car replaced the Focus as the automaker's price-leader model. Available in both sedan and hatchback styles, the German-designed Fiesta has a thrifty 120-horsepower 1.6-litre four-cylinder engine. Pricing begins at less than $16,000, taxes in.

4 Fiat 500

Chrysler LLC's answer to the Mini Cooper had a rocky start in North America, but the little two-door definitely resonates with some buyers, while the addition of the convertible broadens the customer base. Power comes from a 101-horse 1.4-litre four-cylinder engine, but a performance-oriented "Abarth" model delivers additional gusto with a 160-horsepower turbocharged four-cylinder. Prices start at about $15,000, including destination charges.

5 Chevrolet Spark

A cute-as-a-button mini-hatch is built on a General Motors global platform and will stress maximum space use and fuel economy at a minimum ($13,500 estimated) price. A 1.2-litre engine making 85 horsepower is all you get, but it's likely all you'll need with such a small four-door car.

6 Hyundai Accent

What has to be one of the most-improved vehicles on the road still comes in four-door sedan and hatchback formats and although they come with a powerful-for-the-class 138-horse 1.6-litre four-cylinder, the Accent still pulls down 5.0 l/100 km on the highway. With gorgeous styling, the Accent is no longer just an inexpensive car.

7 Mini Coupé and Roadster

The expanding Mini lineup now includes two nifty two seaters. Both the fixed-roof Coupé and the open-top Roadster feature a more streamlined windshield than the four-passenger Cooper, as well as a decent-sized trunk. Like all other Minis, this pair starts with a mild-mannered and thrifty four-cylinder, although more performance-oriented versions can be ordered. Prices begin in the $26,000 range, including destination charges.

8 Mazda2

Built off the same basic platform as the Ford Fiesta, the tiny Mazda2 features plenty of style and a healthy dose of dash from its 102-horsepower four-cylinder engine.

The Mazda2 lineup in Europe and Asia will include a sharp-looking wagon and two-door hatchback, but the only model offered here is the four-door hatchback.

Figure on spending about $15,500 to park the "2" in your garage.

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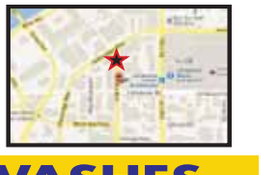

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The Chrysler Aspen, which was an upscale Dodge Durango twin, had a short-lived life with questionable success. Targeting buyers considering the Cadillac Escalade and Lincoln Navigator, this American luxury SUV was only available from 2007 to 2009 before being given the axe.

Aspen got seating for up to eight and a list of luxury goodies — including heated leather, a sunroof, premium audio, wood trim, automatic climate control, memory seating and more.

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Common Issues

A check-engine light — possibly accompanied by reduced power output, a sporadic idle or lumpy acceleration — could be evidence of a bad engine control sensor.

A "scan" of the Aspen's computer system by a dealer-certified mechanic can help ensure no computer-related problems are hiding. Check for smooth shifting, a steady idle, and even, hesitation-free acceleration at both moderate and full throttle.

A problem with the fuel-filler system may cause gas to spew out while filling up. Be sure to ask the seller if they've experienced this issue and whether they've had it remedied by the technical service bulletin issued by Chrysler.

Check for proper operation from all power windows and the sunroof. Proper operation of the climate control system should also be confirmed, and shoppers are also advised to check for rust on the bottom edges of the doors.

Engine

Chrysler's award-winning 5.7-litre HEMI V8 supplied all Aspen models with 335 horsepower. An automatic transmission and four-wheel drive was standard.

What Owners Like

Power output, size and space, comfort and capability are all highly rated in the Aspen owner community. Many owners also report confident towing abilities and passing, thanks to the HEMI powerplant.

What Owners Dislike

Common Aspen complaints include gas mileage, a high step-in height, 'numb' steering and a dated-looking navigation system.

Verdict

The Chrysler Aspen appears relatively reliable and free of glaring mechanical problems. Expect a pleasant ownership experience and plenty of style and capability from a well-maintained used model.

Ford crushes cans to protect vehicle occupants

The all-new 2013 Ford Fusion uses the new crush cans. FORD MOTOR COMPANY

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A common complaint many people have with new cars is that they "crumple up" in a collision. That's planned into the car's design, and it isn't just so you'll have to buy a new one. Cars crumple to protect their occupants — and it's easier to fix a car than a person.

"The car has to absorb the energy of the impact," says Chris O'Connor, front crash safety supervisor for Ford Motor Company.

"If it isn't absorbed in the front of the vehicle, it will go into the occupant compartment."

Ford will introduce new diamond-shaped "crush cans" on the all-new Fusion. Attached to the car's structural rails and tucked behind the front bumper, the hollow metal structures collapse progressively, soaking up crash energy as they do.

In a low-speed collision, they can help reduce damage to the car's front end and components such as the cooling system and horn. In many cases, the structural rails would suffer no damage, and a body shop may be able to just unbolt the bumper and replace the crush cans, O'Connor says.

In a more severe collision, the cans would improve the car's "progressive collapse."

Engineers design vehicles so the car is essentially weakest at the front, with components becoming stronger towards the passenger compartment.

"We would like it to crush from front to back," O'Connor says. "If the front rail buckles in the back, it'll be unstable. You want to first crush the bumper, then the crush can, then the front portion of the rail, then the mid and aft-portion of the rail, and by that time, hopefully you've used up the energy and there's none left for the occupant compartment."

If the crash energy does get into the cabin, it can cause occupant injury, especially if portions of the passenger compartment intrude and slam into the people inside. The safest car is one that crumples around an intact passenger cabin.

While crush cans aren't new, the unique eight-sided shape of Ford's new design is, and it's specifically made for the front. The car also has crush cans at the rear, with designs unique to withstand the forces they may encounter.

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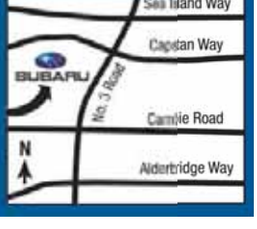

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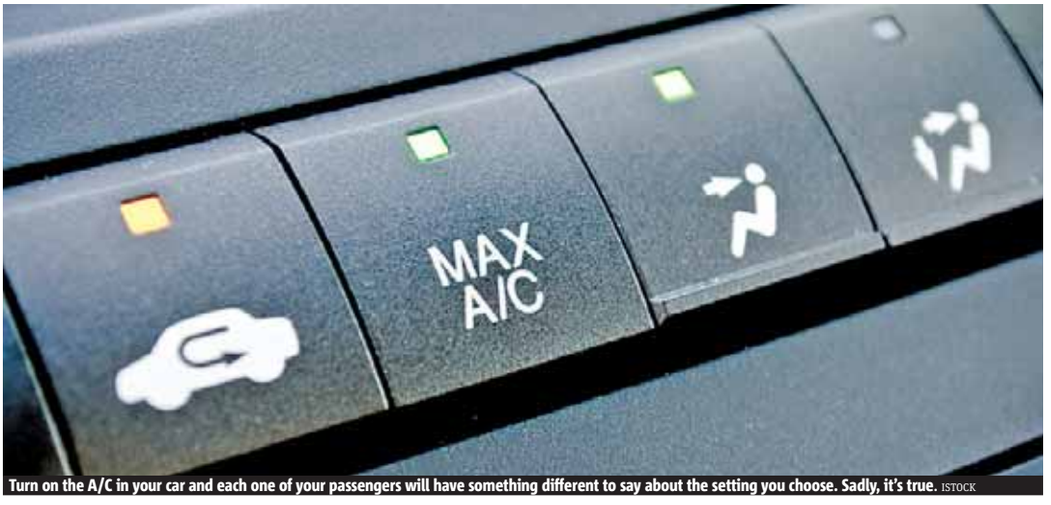

Turn on the A/C in your car and each one of your passengers will have something different to say about the setting you choose. Sadly, it's true. ISTOCK

I have a love-hate thing with vehicular air conditioning. Judging by how often I crank up the air, it's obvious the love side is winning.

But that only means I don't feel good about it, because there are a lot of things I don't like about air conditioning in a car. Here's the shortlist ...

If you have an automatic system that always tries to maintain a pre-set temperature, then you're always in for a treat when you jump in a hot car. The system automatically goes into full freezer mode. A sudden cold blast like that is such a shock to your system. It's particularly hard on my nipples.

Canada's Pollution Probe estimates that driving in the city with the air conditioning on full blast increases fuel consumption by 10 to 25 per cent.

My tendency to always crank it up at the mere hint of discomfort once again reminds me of my incredibly low pain threshold and wavering eco-logical tendencies.

Like I need reminding.

Not one passenger is happy with whatever A/C setting the driver selects.

"Oh you got air conditioning, great. "Could you turn it up a bit?" "Maybe a bit more." "Maybe down a bit now." "How about less on my feet and more on my face?"

After that, they open the window, throwing the carefully constructed eco-system into chaos.

Also, air conditioning is but one more thing that "seals" us into our individual boxes, and all that entails for motoring culture and etiquette. Dogs are my heroes in this regard; they're never happier as when they hang out an open window and face and embrace the world at 60 km/h.

But all this is not to say I want to go back to an un-air-conditioned existence. I like driving with an open window as much as the next guy, but there is a point where pleasure bleeds into pain. Even if open windows keep you cool, the amount of hot air moving around means you can't hear each other or the stereo, and that all the moisture in your body shrivels up in minutes, like the world is a hair dryer and you're Justin Bieber's hair.

By the way, Pollution Probe notes that the increased drag you create by open windows is still better for fuel efficiency than running your A/C — only at illegal high speeds is the situation reversed.

As a general guide, until the noise from the wind rushing past the open windows becomes too loud to speak over, you are saving more fuel by keeping the windows down and the A/C off. Vehicle air conditioning systems, however, are also getting progressively better at using less energy. Hybrids are also pioneering the use of "electrically" driven air conditioning compressors — their big batteries and superior charging abilities give them this opportunity. (Typically, A/C compressors are driven off the engine's accessory drive belt, which makes engines work harder and consequently, thirstier.)

You also gotta love those luxury cars equipped with heated and cooled seats. If it's a scorching day, you owe it to yourself to try one of these seats, and be relieved by having cool air seep into your core area, which includes your groin. It's an experience everyone should have on their bucket list.

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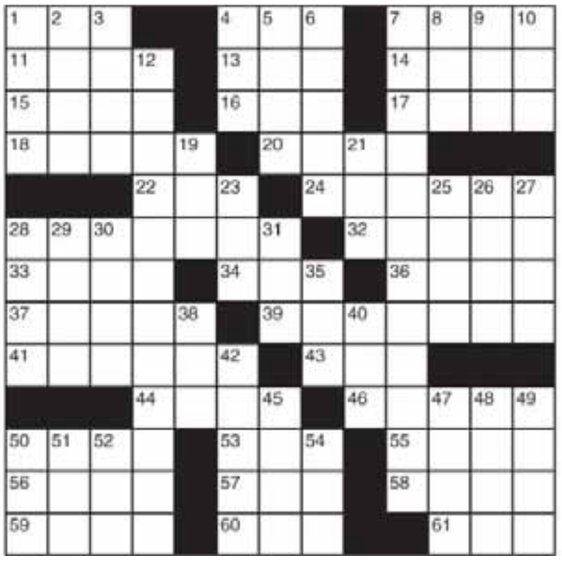

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Yesterday's Sudoku

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Yesterday's Crossword

Cryptoquip

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This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

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Taurus | April 21 - May 21. Change may not come easily to those born under the sign of the bull but change you must — and soon. Let the planets guide you today and let the world see that you've got an adventurous side too.

Gemini | May 22 - June 20. You already know what is and is not possible – you don't need anyone telling you – and if you apply that knowledge, you will enjoy success.

Cancer | June 21 - July 22. Others may make light of your efforts but the planets indicate you are on the verge of a major success that will make critics green with envy.

Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22. Planets warn if you try to get out of what you are expected to do today, you'll have to do twice as much tomorrow.

Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22. You have some tough tasks ahead of you and no doubt you are worried that you might fail. Don't be. If you approach what you have to do in the right spirit, you will win through sooner or later – probably sooner.

Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22. Saturn in your sign warns you must not take shortcuts. A job that is worth doing is a job that is worth doing well — and a job that is done well is likely to be well rewarded.

Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21. You will have to be firm with a friend or work colleague today. If you let them off the hook now, they'll only let you down again later. Next time, the consequences will be dire.

Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21. Try not to be too eager when negotiating with people who have something you want. If they get the impression that you are desperate, you will end up paying double.

Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan 20. With Saturn, your ruler, moving through the career area of your chart, you must be serious about your ambitions.

Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb 18. You have been thinking about making some big changes for quite some time but you are still in the same place. It's time to get serious.

Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20. Everyone seems to be on your case at the moment and you are wondering what you have done to deserve such negativity. Don't worry, they will get over it. SALLY BROMPTON

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